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ANOTHER LEADER MAY TAKE JOFFRE'S PLACE; CHANGES IN FRANCE

Reported Petain, Declining Chief Command, Suggested Nivelle; Foch and De Castelnau Also Mentioned; Being Planned to Have French Parliament Reach Decisions More Promptly

Washington, Dec. 6.—The secret session of the French chamber of deputies is expected to develop important changes.

It is known here that one of the chief questions the chamber has been considering is the re-organization of the French high command and that this may include the retirement of General Joffre. When the decision was reached that General Joffre should relinquish his command, General Petain was picked as Joffre's successor. It is understood that the proposal to Gen. Petain was that he should command personally and directly all the allied forces in France—French, British and Belgian. It is further understood that Gen. Petain declined.

Failing Gen. Petain, various ability in the great war have been suggested. Among them are Gen. Foch and Gen. de Castelnau. Gen. Petain, however, is credited with the suggestion that Gen. Nivelle, who succeeded him in command of the forces at Verdun and who is his junior in rank, be placed in command of all the forces.

Changes of Moment.
Paris, Dec. 6.—(By Fred B. Pitney.)—Following the example of Britain, changes of moment can be foreseen in France. The coming to a head of the situation in Britain has only hastened in France developments which have been practically certain for some time.

The secret session of the chamber of deputies at the demands of the French "knockout" group are being urged has almost reached its end. It probably would have lasted several days longer, and there is little reason to doubt that the result would have been the same, but after the action in Britain further discussion has become practically impossible.

The resolution presented by the "knockouts" for the consideration of the chamber read as follows:

"In the interests of national defence it is urged that the secret session of the chamber of deputies end as soon as possible and that in a precise memorandum the people's representatives point out to the government the demands of the country."

Change of Policy.
There is no doubt as to what this means and there is no doubt as to what will be the result. A complete change of policy, shifts in the personnel of the high command and a few minor changes in the government are almost certain.

The ministry, however, is likely to remain as it is constituted at present. Details of the new programme necessarily are incomplete, but the probable steps appear to be: An extension of state control to other public services, for example, hygiene, which now are administered in part by the local authorities. An increase in the number of ministers, or at least provision for more under-secretaries. A change in the procedure of parliament, which will enable it to reach decisions more promptly. An extension of civil conscription, no distinction in principle to be made between service in the army and other service for the state. A re-organization of the supreme military command.

Before Many Weeks.
The programme in whole or in part undoubtedly will be put into effect before many weeks have passed. The changes will look to greater action and to getting on with the war. As Pierre Renaudel, who predicts a speedy end of the secret session, observes to-day in L'Humanite:

"I feel safe in saying that the measures demanded by the chamber will be adopted. I can even see that we are on the road to a national assembly which, if not exactly the same thing as the Committee of Public Safety of the Revolution, will yet be very close to it."

Most Important.
This concentration of the power to make decisions can not fail to have the most far-reaching consequences in the conduct of the war, and of all the changes proposed, with the possible exception of the military reorganization, it stands out the most important. The power of the French president resembles in no degree the power of the president of the United States. An extension of his prerogatives now is being debated in the press.

The deliberations of parliament are generally felt to be longer than necessary. A shortening of the procedure of both houses is being considered. The proposed changes are typical of several others, the purpose of all of which is to reach decisions in the direction of

ROUMANIANS FIGHT REARGUARD ACTIONS

Falling Back Eastward in Wallachia; Bucharest Evacuated by Its Garrison

GERMANS SAY CAMPINO IN INVADERS' HANDS

Claim Austro-Germans Took 9,000 Roumanians in Fighting Yesterday

Petrograd, Dec. 7.—Bucharest, the Roumanian capital, was evacuated by the Roumanian troops, says an official statement issued here to-day, and the Roumanian troops to the south of the capital also have retired.

In Wallachia the Roumanian forces are retreating towards the east under hostile pressure and holding the Teuton forces by rearguard actions.

German Statement.
Berlin, Dec. 7.—The defeated Roumanian forces are retreating along the whole front the war office announces. Teutonic troops have captured Campino, on the railroad between Kronstadt and Ploesti.

In the fighting yesterday more than 9,000 Roumanians were captured.

Macedonian Front.
Berlin, Dec. 7.—Bulgarian troops repulsed an attack by British troops yesterday in the Struma sector of the Macedonian front, it is announced officially. Near the Cerova river positions taken on the previous day by Serbian troops were recaptured.

URGES NORTHCLIFFE PRESS BE MUZZLED

London Chronicle Points to Dangers of Allowing Too Full Freedom

London, Dec. 7.—The Daily Chronicle, in an article headed "The Press Vendetta," says:

"When the story of the crisis of the last few days becomes known it will be found that the action of the Northcliffe press was a factor in deciding Mr. Asquith that if he should accept the proposals as presented to him originally and humiliate himself his troubles would be redoubled and the final tragedy only postponed. He took the more courageous and manly course and anticipated the danger."

Outside of Britain.
"The British public appreciates the worth of mendacious attacks on the personal honor and patriotism of our statesmen, but the influence of the articles was not confined to these shores. In no other European belligerent country is such license given to the press. Here full scope is given to the most unscrupulous journalists to publish the wildest slanders on public men."

The campaign is as mean as it is malicious and harmful. The papers which charge the government with not organizing efficient propaganda in allied and neutral countries are the same papers which by their unpatriotic action neutralize all propaganda effort.

Revision Needed.
"No system of propaganda in the world will be able to overtake the mischief already done. The conditions under which the press works will have to be revised without interfering in any way with the liberty of legitimate criticism of individual ministers or of problems, but the regulations should stop the publication of articles which are likely, through attacks on ministers or other misrepresentations, to cause misunderstandings between the allies, create mischief with neutrals or bring comfort to the king's enemies."

MAY BE SUCCEEDED BY ANOTHER LEADER SOON; GEN. JOFFRE



WIDER CONTROL OF FOOD ADVOCATED

British Trades Unionists in Convention Urge Government to Act

ATTACK WAS MADE ON LLOYD GEORGE

London, Dec. 7.—Purchase by the government of all essential imported foodstuffs, the commandeering or control of all home products and of ships and the placing of supplies on the retail market at prices which would give the consumer the full benefit of these measures, were advocated to-day at the national conference of trades unionists.

During the discussion Charles Gammon, of the British Trades Union League, who attended the convention of the American Federation of Labor in San Francisco last year, made a violent attack on Rt. Hon. David Lloyd George, who he argued, had "led to the trades unionist congress and sold his political faith."

While the conference was in progress the Labor members of the House of Commons, including the members of the Independent Labor party, were summoned to a conference with Lloyd George.

GERMAN MARK DOWN TWENTY PER CENT ON ZURICH BOURSE

Paris, Dec. 7.—Although the keenest regret is expressed here that Bucharest has fallen into the enemy's hands, consolation is derived from Swiss dispatches which report that notwithstanding the German successes in Roumania the German hundred mark bill fell to 80 francs, the lowest price since the war began, on the Zurich Bourse.

PAPER OF FRANKFORT ADMITS ROUMANIANS MAY SAVE CEREALS

London, Dec. 7.—"The Frankfurter Zeitung warns the Germans against expecting double rations as a result of the invasion of Roumania," says a wireless dispatch received here to-day from Bern. "It says the Russo-Roumanians may save their harvests and granaries which are situated mainly in territory which has not been invaded."

ARABIA TRANSPORT, GERMANY REPEATS

Alleges in Note to States Submarine Commander Thought She Was

AND THAT HE SAW NO WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Ready to Make Amends Should It Be Proved "Regrettable Mistake"

Washington, Dec. 7.—The German government, in a note made public by the state department to-day, contends that the British steamship Arabia, sunk by a submarine in the Mediterranean on November 6, was in reality "a transport ship for troops in the service of the British government," and as such ships are to be considered as auxiliary warships according to international law, therefore could be and was treated as a warship.

The German government's attitude, however, like that in the Marina case, is expressed to be one of readiness to make amends if it is shown that the submarine commander violated Germany's pledges to the United States.

Text of Note.
The text of the note, which was addressed by the Berlin foreign office to Charge Grew in reply to his inquiry made on instructions from Washington, follows:

"Foreign Office, Berlin, Dec. 4, 1916: 'The undersigned has the honor to inform Mr. Grew, charge d'affaires of the United States of America, in reply to the note of the 21st ultimo, that the investigation conducted by the German government concerning the sinking of the British steamship Arabia has led to the following results:

"On the morning of November 6 a German submarine encountered a large steamship coming from the Corigo Straits, 100 nautical miles west of the Island of Corigo. The steamship was painted black, and had a black superstructure—not, as is otherwise the case with superstructures of vessels of the F. and O. Line, of a light color. The steamship, which was identical with the Arabia, was not traveling on the route regularly used by the passenger steamships between Port Said and Malta, as is made plain on the enclosed map, but was taking a zigzag course toward the west 120 nautical miles north of that route. This course, on which the submarine passed three similar steamships at the same spot on the same morning, leads from the Aegean to Malta, so that the Arabia was moving on the transport route, Corigo-Malta, used solely for war purposes, according to the experience until now."

Commander's Claims.
"The commander of the submarine further ascertained that there were large batches of Chinese and other colored persons in their national costumes on board the steamship. He considered them to be workmen soldiers such as are used in great numbers behind the front by the enemies of Germany. In spite of the clear weather and careful observation he did not perceive any women and children."

"In these circumstances the commander of the submarine was convinced that in this case the steamship was concerned with was a transport ship for troops in the service of the British government, which is to be considered as an auxiliary warship, according to international law, and can therefore be treated like a warship. Accordingly he considered himself justified in attacking the steamship without delay, and he sank her."

"Should the American government give official data showing that at the time of the torpedoing the Arabia was an ordinary passenger steamship, the action of the commander would not have been in accordance with the instructions given him, since those instructions are now, before, in agreement with the assurances of the German note of May, 1915. This would then be a case of a regrettable mistake from which the German government promptly would draw the appropriate consequences."

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LABOR PARTY AIDING MR. LLOYD GEORGE IN FORMING A CABINET

Believed New Leader Will Succeed in Establishing a Ministry Which Will Have Support of Majority in House of Commons; Two Labor Members of Cabinet and One of War Council

London, Dec. 7.—It is regarded this afternoon as virtually certain that Rt. Hon. David Lloyd George will succeed in organizing a ministry which will have the support of a majority in the House of Commons, the Labor party having decided to participate in the making up of the new cabinet.

It is said that George Nicoll Barnes, Labor member of parliament for the Blackfriars division of Glasgow and a privy councillor, and Rt. Hon. Arthur Henderson, president of the board of education in the coalition ministry, will be members of the cabinet and that one of them will sit with the war council. In addition it also is said three under-secretaryships will be allotted to the Labor party.

London, Dec. 7.—According to the Central News, the Labor party has decided to accept the invitation to be represented in the new government.

An earlier statement by the Central News was to the effect that Lloyd George had offered the Labor party two seats in the cabinet, one representative on the war council and three under-secretaryships, and that the offer was under consideration.

Support Promised.
London, Dec. 7.—It was learned this morning that Rt. Hon. David Lloyd George, the new prime minister, had opened negotiations with the Labor party with a view to securing its support and co-operation.

A meeting of the party was held this forenoon at which regret was expressed at the resignation of Mr. Asquith as prime minister. It was decided, however, to support any government pledged vigorously to prosecute the war and in which labor was adequately represented.

The opinion is expressed that not fewer than three Labor members will be included in the cabinet. The Labor members met Lloyd George at the war office during the day to discuss the matter.

Lord Reading.
London, Dec. 7.—It is understood Lord Reading, who has been lord chief justice since 1913 and previously to that was attorney general, will have a place in Lloyd George's cabinet. His support will be invaluable in influencing many members of the Liberal party who otherwise might have looked upon a Lloyd George cabinet with reluctance.

Lord Reading and Lloyd George are close friends, and Lord Reading's associations with Rt. Hon. Reginald McKenna and other Liberal members of the coalition cabinet are equally intimate and sincere.

Interested in Personnel.
London, Dec. 7.—Political circles to-day were interested chiefly in the personnel of the new cabinet, and the prospects of the new prime minister for getting together a combination that will have the support of a majority in the House of Commons. Few, if any, of the Liberal members of Mr. Asquith's cabinet are likely to accept office in Lloyd George's and some of the Unionist members including Rt. Hon. J. Austen Chamberlain and Lord Robert Cecil, are likely to stand aside. However, it is assumed that at the conference at Buckingham Palace they assured the new prime minister of their benevolent neutrality, thus making his task much simpler.

A Fair Chance.
Provincial Liberal newspapers such as the Manchester Guardian and the Liverpool Post make a plea to the Liberals to give the new government a fair chance, as it is generally assumed that it will be the embodiment of British determination to win the war.

According to one estimate, Lloyd George can rely on the support of virtually all the Unionist members and of 70 Liberals and the greater part of the Labor members. It also is represented that Lloyd George believes he will be able to offer concessions to the Irish Nationalists which will bring them into line.

Some Possibilities.
As far as the cabinet is concerned the new prime minister has a nucleus in Rt. Hon. Andrew Bonar Law, Lord Derby, Lord Curzon, Sir Frederick E. Smith and Sir Edward Carson, while Viscount Reading, the lord chief justice, is likely to join the ministry. Other Liberal members may be drawn from men such as Sir Frederick Cavendish, M.P. for the Prestwick division of Lancashire, and Sir George Pollard, member for the Eccles division of Lancashire, who although the public has heard little of them, have done efficient work in committee. Dr. Christopher Addison, parliamentary under-secretary for munitions, is almost certain to have a place in the cabinet.

PREMIERS TO SPEAK ALONG WITH BORDEN

Brewster and Norris Have Promised; Sifton's and Martin's Replies Awaited

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—Announcement was made to-day from the headquarters of the National Service Commission that R. B. Bennett, M. P., the chairman, had invited the premiers of the four western provinces to speak at the meetings to be held in the capitals, Winnipeg, Regina, Edmonton and Victoria. Up to noon to-day Premier Norris of Manitoba and Premier Brewster of British Columbia had been heard from. Both have accepted the invitation. Premier Norris will speak at the Winnipeg meeting and Premier Brewster at the meeting to be held in Victoria, B. C.

SURPRISE ATTACK BY FRENCH TROOPS

Prisoners Captured at Point East of Metzeral, in Alsace

Paris, Dec. 7.—"We carried out a surprise attack on trenches of the enemy east of Metzeral (in Alsace) and brought back prisoners," says an official announcement issued this afternoon.

"There is nothing of importance to report from the remainder of the front."

German Statement.
Berlin, Dec. 7.—On the Verdun front yesterday German troops entered French trenches on Hill 204, west of the Meuse, and captured the summit of the height, the war office announced to-day.

The statement reads: "Army group of the German crown prince.—On the west bank of the Meuse yesterday, after artillery preparation, a detachment of Westphalian infantry regiment No. 15 entered French trenches on Hill 204, southwest of Metz, notable from last summer's engagements, and captured the summit of the hill. Five officers and 100 men were brought back as prisoners. "As a result of an advance into the hostile lines on Deadman's Hill raiding detachments brought in eleven prisoners."

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TORONTO BANK CLEARINGS.

Toronto, Dec. 7.—The bank clearings here for the week ended to-day were \$60,336,759. For the corresponding week last year the clearings were \$44,819,857 and \$35,854,306 in 1914.

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ESTATE OF LATE TORONTO ALDERMAN

Toronto, Dec. 7.—The National Trust Company is seeking administration of the estate of the late Alderman S. Morley Wickett, of the firm of Wickett & Craig, who died intestate. The estate totals \$185,928, with a liability to banks and brokers of \$109,458, making the net estate \$76,470. He left a widow and two infant children. In the estate are 400 shares of Brazilian Traction worth \$20,000, 255 Toronto Railway shares worth \$29,925, and 775 shares in Wickett & Craig worth \$114,250.

BULGARIANS PLAN TO ARRANGE THEIR LABOR

Amsterdam, Dec. 7.—Premier Radoslawoff of Bulgaria has announced that the Sofia government will follow the example of its allies and modify labor for the production of munitions, according to a Sofia dispatch to the Berlin Mittag Zeitung. Premier Radoslawoff is quoted as saying: "Nobody in Bulgaria dreams of peace until the enemy forces have been chased out of the Balkans and until Russia has abandoned forever her hope of capturing the Turkish Straits."

BORDEN ADDRESSED MONTREAL AUDIENCE

Started National Service Tour; Bennett and Patenaude Were Interrupted

Montreal, Dec. 7.—Sir Robert Borden and R. B. Bennett, M.P., director general of national service, opened a campaign at the Monument Nationale here last night which is calculated to stir up the people of Canada to a realization of their duty in the world war, and to a realization that every person who can do so should help to gain victory for the allies. The campaign is to take the prime minister and the director general west as far as the Pacific Coast.

Sir Robert was given an excellent hearing, but Mr. Bennett was subjected to a good many interruptions, which came entirely from the galleries. That there was a hostile element present was brought out more clearly when Hon. E. L. Patenaude, minister of inland revenue, was speaking. He was almost continually interrupted and the force of his address was largely spent in retort. The disturbance was so marked that Hon. C. Chase Casgrain and Hon. C. J. Doherty, who were to have spoken, decided to remain silent. The audience was large. Ludger Gravel, president of the chamber of commerce, and H. B. Walker, president of the board of trade, were joint chairmen.

FEMALE MUNITIONS WORKERS KILLED IN PLANT IN BRITAIN

London, Dec. 7.—Twenty-six women were killed and about 30 injured by an explosion in a munitions factory on Tuesday night, according to an official announcement, which adds that the effect of the accident upon the munitions output will be negligible.

NO PROTEST FROM STATES.

Washington, Dec. 7.—It has been decided that the American government will make no protest against the practice of refusing bunker coal at British ports to vessels not serving the interests of entente nations.

CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—The following casualties have been announced:

Infantry.
Killed in action—Cpl. J. Ardine, Toronto; Pte. J. Brown, Cainsville, Ont.; Pte. W. H. Haight, Aylmer, Que.; Pte. P. McPhail, North Sydney, N. S.; Pte. L. Nickel, Madoc, Ont.; Pte. L. O'Neill, Moncton, Ont.; Pte. B. J. Smith, Toronto; Cpl. C. E. Russell, Hamilton; Pte. N. Smith, Quebec; Sgt. Edwin Stanley, Brantford; Pte. Ben Stevenson, Paris, Ont.

Previously reported missing: now killed in action—Pte. P. Bournier, Danville, Ont.; Pte. A. E. Presley, Curran, Ont.

Dangerously ill—Pte. M. B. Allen, San Diego, Cal.

Wounded—Pte. J. Bowes, Winnipeg; Pte. H. Cameron, Bowmanville, Ont.; Pte. A. Constantine, Carstairs, Alta.; Pte. A. Bennett, Woodstock, Ont.; Pte. H. Lague, Quebec; Pte. M. R. McDonald, Victoria, B. C.; Pte. F. Massicotte, Quebec; Pte. J. St. Jean, Valleyfield, Que.; Pte. Wm. Thompson, Drumheller, Alta.; Pte. A. Vallieres, Montreal.

Mounted Rifles.
Previously reported wounded; now wounded and missing—Pte. G. R. Crowe, Scotland.

Engineers.
Wounded—Sapper G. A. Smith, Hamilton.

Artillery.
Died of wounds—Gnr. F. S. Halliday, Elton, P. E. I.

Seriously ill—Gnr. Sam Mills, Montreal.

Infantry.
Killed in action—Pte. J. Benstead, England; Sgt. J. Gingle, Ireland; Pte. J. R. Greenaway, England; Pte. W. H. Hayes, England; Pte. A. Kingdon, Ireland.

Died of wounds—Pte. J. Sandilands, Channel Islands.

Dangerously ill—Pte. B. Trotzky, Russia.

Admitted to hospital—Pte. B. Folks, England.

Seriously ill—Pte. Thos. Graham, England.

Wounded—Pte. A. D. McCallum, Ireland; Cpl. F. W. Patton, Channel Islands; Pte. S. H. Waterhouse, England; Pte. V. Zik, Montenegro; Pte. Chas. Baird, Scotland; Pte. R. Graham, England; Pte. J. Hadfield, England; Pte. Wm. Hutchison, Australia; Pte. H. Kennett, England; Pte. W. W. Lumsden, Scotland; Pte. N. Macfarlane, Scotland; Pte. W. S. Mitchell, England; Pte. E. H. Mumford, England; Sgt. Ernest Roberts, England.

Killed in action—Pte. W. Antill, Aylmer, Quebec; Cpl. H. W. Bantlett, Toronto; Pte. M. L. Edwards, Yukon; B. C.; Pte. T. J. Cassell, Toronto; Pte. A. Clarke, Toronto; Pte. D. Footner, Toronto; Pte. W. Fowler, St. John, N. B.; Pte. B. Haynes, Gananoque, Ont.; Pte. J. G. Henderson, Metcalfe, Ont.; Cpl. R. Inman, Toronto; Pte. Wm. Joy, Cranbrook, B. C.; Pte. A. H. Kelly, Toronto; Pte. C. G. Marchant, Hamilton; Cpl. Lewis, Murton, Edgewood, B. C.; Pte. E. Nash, Toronto; Cpl. J. Nicol, Toronto; Pte. Wm. Price, Hamilton; Cpl. A. F. Shaw, Fernie, B. C.; Pte. A. Simmonds, Todmorden, Ont.; Pte. F. Tompsett, Toronto; Pte. A. Towseley, Montreal; Pte. F. G. Trotman, Carleton Place, Ont.; Pte. W. G. Underwood, Toronto; Pte. S. M. Hogan, Woodstock, Ont.; Cpl. Chris Walker, Jarvis, Ont.; Pte. C. S. Welsh, Toronto; Pte. C. A. Whitworth, Hagersville, Ont.

Died—Pte. T. H. Jacques, South Vancouver, B. C.

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FORECASTS OF NEW BRITISH CABINET

London Chronicle Says Lloyd George Wants Small Ministry; Other Comments

London, Dec. 7.—The Daily Chronicle, Liberal, says that if Lloyd George succeeds in forming a government, the cabinet will consist of not more than half a dozen men who will constitute a war cabinet and a war council in one, and that all the other ministers will be outside the cabinet.

Lloyd George's object, says the Chronicle, is to form not a coalition representing the old or new parties, but a war government. Conservatives and Liberals will be represented in it, and, says the newspaper, also, Laborites, to whose co-operation the greatest importance is attached.

The Chronicle says that Lloyd George doubtless would like to include an Irish Nationalist in the cabinet, but that the situation of the Home Rule controversy forbids it. Confirming the statement that Lloyd George is assured the support of the principal Unionist statesmen and that it is unlikely that any Liberal former cabinet ministers will co-operate with him, the Daily Chronicle says the following men are likely to become members of the cabinet:

David Lloyd George, Andrew Bonar Law, Sir Edward Carson, Earl Curzon of Kedleston, the Earl of Derby, Colonel Winston Spencer Churchill, Viscount Milner and Sir Frederick Edward Smith.

The Chronicle says that the Earl of Derby probably will be leader in the House of Lords, that Earl Curzon is likely to succeed Viscount Grey as foreign secretary and that Viscount Reading probably will be lord chancellor.

Opinion of News.

The Daily News, on the other hand, gives as a nucleus list for the new cabinet: David Lloyd George, Bonar Law, Sir Edward Carson, Sir Frederick Cawley, the Earl of Derby, Arthur Henderson, William Bruce, Viscount Reading and Viscount Milner. Sir Frederick Bruce is now parliamentary secretary of the home office.

The Daily Graphic, Conservative, although strongly anti-Asquith, expresses doubt over the success of Lloyd George in forming a ministry and calls for new men. This newspaper says the Earl of Derby would make an excellent prime minister, while important offices should be given Baron Rhonda, formerly David A. Thomas, head of the Cambrian coal combination and known as the "British coal king," and Baron Devonport, chairman of the Port of London Authority.

The Times to-day, dealing with the article published by the Daily Chronicle on Wednesday morning to the effect that plans had been maturing for some time for a settlement of the Irish question in the event of a government coming into office in which Sir Edward Carson was a prominent member, characterizes the article as erroneous, and says it was invented and circulated in the interest of Mr. Asquith and to embarrass Sir Edward.

John Redmond, the Nationalist leader, is quoted by the Times as repudiating the statement, and as saying that he had had no negotiations or conversations with Lloyd George, Sir Edward Carson or anyone else with regard to the settlement of the Irish question in the manner stated.

FORTIFIED HEIGHTS TAKEN BY SERBIANS

Saionica, Dec. 6.—Via London, Dec. 7.—The following Serbian official report was issued last evening:

"There was a violent artillery duel along the whole Serbian front yesterday. Northeast of Budimirtsa, by a brilliant assault, we carried strongly fortified heights which the Bulgarians and Germans defended tenaciously. We took a fairly large number of prisoners."

CANADIAN OFFICERS CROSS TO FRONT

London, Dec. 7.—The following Canadian officers have crossed to the front:

Lieuts. A. S. McCulloch, J. Fraser, C. Voelker, C. Stubbs, R. Chery, R. Donkin, W. Fisher, J. Grafton, W. Joyce, A. Buchanan, S. Dimsdale, W. Askey, H. Bennett, C. Stewart, R. Smythe, H. Richards, J. Simpson, I. Glasgow, C. Bailey, K. McGowan, G. Riley, L. Richardson, J. Emerson, R. Henderson, R. Ingram, J. Davidson, J. Kyght, I. Aitken, S. Knight, R. Ward, D. Brimacombe, C. Biddell, G. McDermid, P. Nell, H. Pawley, J. Robertson, W. Boucher, J. Campbell, H. Lister, F. McCulloch, R. Tait, T. Vickers, H. Tye, D. Waite, R. White, J. Sneltinger, M. Johnston and C. Reeve, and Major J. R. Macleod.

TORONTO GLOBE ON CRISIS IN BRITAIN

Toronto, Dec. 7.—The Globe, quoting the comment of Lord Northcliffe through the United Press yesterday in regard to Lloyd George's ascendancy, declares that Lord Northcliffe has not strengthened public confidence in the men who have driven Mr. Asquith from office.

The Globe wants to know where Canada comes in. "A quarter of a million Canadian soldiers are somewhere at the front," says the Globe. "Is it nothing to them or their country that Lord Northcliffe, the head of a great newspaper combine in England, can make or unmake governments responsible for the conduct of the war?"

"Cholly, why do you remind me of the wind?" "Because it kisses you every time it gets a chance?" "Precisely. And because it kisses other girls also."—Kansas City Journal.

Re-Grouping of Suit Values

As previously announced, we never carry any stock over from one season to the next. This means that in order to carry out our regular practice, the prices must be considerably reduced, to make a perfect clearance. This we have done, and now announce a further grouping of prices which will give you bigger bargains than ever.

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LORD DERBY'S SPEECH EXPLAINED GREAT DEAL

London, Dec. 7.—Among all the developments yesterday, in regard to the political crisis none was more important than the Earl of Derby's speech at the Aldwych Club. It was an explanation of the essential facts of the situation, namely, that new methods were necessary to put a different complexion on the war. When Lord Derby explained that he supported Lloyd George in order to obtain a thoroughly efficient war committee, his own experience at the war office having shown him there was not a sufficient grip by the government powers on the position of today, and when he explained the nature of the proposals put before Mr. Asquith in regard to the war council, he swept away a multitude of misunderstandings and suspicions.

C. P. R. AT VANCOUVER.

Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—In reference to a report from Chicago yesterday that the C. P. R. would expend from \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000 on grain elevators and additional facilities at Vancouver, the C. P. R. officials here state that at the present time the only work being done is an extension to Pier D, which will cost \$700,000.

There is some talk, however, of an additional pier being built in the near future, at a cost of \$1,500,000, but no decision has been reached.

NO SUB-MILITIA COUNCIL.

London, Dec. 7.—Sir George Perley's notice to the English press concerning Canadian appointments, cabled on Tuesday, adds that the reorganization has rendered unnecessary the continuance of the Canadian overseas sub-militia council.

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BELGIAN GOVERNMENT PROTESTS TO BERLIN

Amsterdam, Dec. 7.—According to the Nord Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung, of Berlin, the Spanish embassy in that city has handed the German government a protest from the Belgian government against the deportation of Belgians.

Commenting on this, the paper says that the action of the Germans was in conformity with article 43 of The Hague convention.

After denying that there have been any scenes of horror during the deportations or that any Belgian has been forced to do work forbidden by international law, the newspaper says that coercion was necessary in the case of workmen who refused to work.

In regard to the requisitioning of raw materials, the paper asserts that this was in accordance with the needs of the army and in agreement with article 5 of The Hague convention.

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PEOPLE AWAITING IRISH SETTLEMENT

London Chronicle Says Plan Has Been Considered as It Stated

London, Dec. 7.—The Daily Chronicle accepts a denial by Sir Edward Carson that he has evolved a scheme for a settlement of the Irish question, but points out that it does not dispose of the fact that the question has been considered strictly on the lines the Chronicle sketched out. The Chronicle adds:

"The suggested scheme had been received so well that the premature outline which we gave, which may not have been complete, as the matter is always undergoing change, shows the people are looking anxiously for an Irish settlement. Without it conscription in Ireland would become an impossible measure to enforce."

"Mr. Redmond denies he has taken

part in any negotiations on the subject, and it is not likely that he would, although all members of his party could not deny complete knowledge of the subject. The statement in the Chronicle was that plan had been maturing for some time, but it does not follow that it is definitely settled."

ARABIA TRANSPORT, GERMANY REPEATS

(Continued from page 1.)

No Comment. What action the state department will take is problematical. Secretary Lansing refused utterly to comment on the case to-day and other officials were reticent.

Should it be known that the Arabia was, as Germany contends, a transport, the government probably would admit the sinking was justified.

If, however, it is shown that the submarine commander was mistaken in holding her to be a transport, a most serious situation will confront the state department. At the time the Sussex was sunk Germany was told that this country could not tolerate "regrettable mistakes."

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FROM THE FRONT TO RECRUIT IN CANADA

Eleven Canadian Members of Parliament, Officers, Are Coming Shortly

AMERICAN WITH THEM TO ASSIST IN WORK

London, Dec. 7.—Eleven Canadian members of parliament who are officers in the Canadian forces and an American, T. C. Treadwell, have completed their tour of the front in France and will return to London to-day and shortly proceed to Canada to undertake a recruiting campaign, according to Elizabeth Boucher, a correspondent in Paris. These officers especially investigated the probable effects of the proposed change from the battalion to the draft system.

Beginning with Xmas, the party saw the battlefields along the Canadian front and also inspected the Canadian hospitals and base depots at Rouen, Havre and elsewhere. The officers were much impressed by the smooth working of the present Canadian organizations at the front.

BOWSER PARTY HAS SAME PRINCIPLES

Bowser Says at Winnipeg He Thinks There Will Be No Change

Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—W. J. Bowser, ex-premier of British Columbia and now the prospective leader of the Conservative opposition in the province, was in the city yesterday with R. P. Green, federal member for Kootenay and director of national service for British Columbia. Both are on their way east. Mr. Bowser to visit his early home near Moncton, N. B., and Mr. Green to consult with the government at Ottawa in regard to his duties.

Discussing the political situation in British Columbia, Mr. Bowser said Conservatives had been duly elected, and two more might be returned. R. H. Pooley, who ran for his old seat in Esquimalt, and was declared defeated by only two votes, had demanded a recount, which would take place next week. A recount was likely also at Stochan, where William Hunter was declared defeated by one vote, and Major Foster, defeated by four votes in the Islands, had sent word from the front that he would like to have the matter placed out of doubt.

"The opposition has no policy to declare as yet," said Mr. Bowser. "In fact it has not so far chosen a leader or collectively surveyed the situation. I suppose we shall stick to the general principles on which we went to the country. Nothing more can be said till we know the policy of the government, which was put forward only in a general way in the campaign. If the government brings down good legislation it will not meet with any opposition from our side. We shall be ready to join hands in bringing the province into its own."

WORK OF BOMBERS IS MOST IMPORTANT

Canadian Officers in London From France Speak of Development

London, Dec. 7.—Canadian officers recently returned from France remark generally upon the development of bombing operations in the fighting on the western front, especially during the advances of the past summer. One officer even declared that the rifle "stands a fair chance of becoming obsolete."

"Bombing is the only sure method of clearing a trench. Give me a live party with full 'aprons' and I will go anywhere. One man can carry as many as 16 bombs. What that man can accomplish in the way of annihilating Germans is wonderful."

"The time was when we lost men because the Boche was hidden so far down in his dugouts. But he is up to our methods of bombing him out by now, and so he does not hide so deep down as formerly."

"One German taken in one of the last little bunches of prisoners declared on the way to the prisoners' cage that he had simply held up his hands in taking his usual morning Swedish drill."

"Believe me, the Germans are not so fat as they used to be. They fairly lick our hands when we give them some of our food, which continues to be of the best."

CANADIAN AIRMAN KILLED BY FALL

London, Dec. 7.—Hoping to depart for Canada to-morrow on a well-earned leave, Flight Lieut. A. H. B. Brester, in making his last patrol at Dover, was killed to-day when an accident to his machine occurred and he "nose dived" 6,000 feet to earth. Brester was attached to the Royal Flying Corps and came from Brantford, Ont.

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"Wearwell" Plain Black Cashmere Hose, with garter top and reinforced heels and toes. Pair **60¢**

Pennman's All Wool Full-Fashioned Cashmere Hose; fine quality; wide garter top. Tan, black and white. Per pair **75¢**

A fine line of English "Lania" Cashmere Hose; heavy quality; black only; all sizes. Per pair **65¢**

Women's Very Fine Quality "Llama" Hose; all wool, and an excellent hose for wear. Per pair **90¢**

"Jaeger" All Wool High Grade Cashmere Hose; wide garter top. Per pair **\$1.25**

"Holeproof" Silk Hose, black and colors. Pair **\$1.25** or per box of 3 pair **\$3.50**

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Children's All Wool 1 x 1 Ribbed Cashmere Hose; in sizes 5½ to 8½; black only; good value, at, per pair **45¢** and **35¢**

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A very superior line of serviceable House Dresses, made from neat patterns of good washing prints and ginghams, well made and well cut, which insures a good fitting dress. All sizes, 34 to 46 on sale Friday.

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New Brushed Wool Sweater Sets—Special Value at \$8.75

MUST SPUR ALLIES TO GREATER EFFORT

French Papers Point Out Lesson of Fall of City of Bucharest

Paris, Dec. 7.—The news of the fall of Bucharest was received here with sorrow and mortification, although it had been regarded as inevitable since the battle of the Argeshu was lost.

All of the newspapers say that the event must be a lesson to the allies which ought to spur them on to more rapid and energetic action, and above all to the organized and effective use of their common resources.

A German Claim.

London, Dec. 7.—Since the hostilities

against Roumania began 100,000 Roumanians have been brought to German prison camps, according to a Copenhagen dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company, which quotes the Berlin Lokal Anzeiger.

The paper attributes to German military authorities the belief that the Roumanian forces intend to withdraw to Moldavia, abandoning the whole of Wallachia. By this step they would have only a hundred-mile front to defend.

The Lokal Anzeiger reports that prior to its capture Bucharest was nearly deserted, and that the city was not damaged.

DANISH AND SPANISH VESSELS SENT DOWN

London, Dec. 7.—Lloyd's shipping agency reports the sinking by submarines of the Danish steamship Nexhosa, of 1,013 tons gross, and the Spanish steamship Julia Benito. The crews of both vessels were landed.

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way to a Russian advance to Bulgaria and through Bulgaria to Constantinople.

The Huns are in receipt of the "glad tidings of great joy" promised them before Christmas, but food tickets have not been abolished yet, and their tables will not groan with weight of good things during the festive season.

Sir Sam Hughes, reading the political and war news, probably will say: "Now see what happens when they try to run things without me."

The change of government in Great Britain may be worth while if the new administration immediately puts a rod in pickle for "Tino of Greece."

It is more than ever evident that the thing to do is win the war and discuss non-essentials afterwards.

EDWARD GREY AND THE NEUTRALS.
—Toronto Globe.

Of all the men who stood near the centre of the "worldstorm" when it broke in August, 1914, the British foreign secretary has survived the shock with more enduring credit than any other in the whole circle of European diplomacy. When all

a little, and then slipped back. Even when Bucharest was captured it refused to be comforted; instead of perking up it touched the lowest point it had reached since the war began. All this is very puzzling to those who do not know what is going on in Germany. Evidently the financial elements of the neutral countries adjoining Germany and Austria are in possession of intelligence which the Hun censorship, now doubly rigorous, has been unable to conceal. In comparison with the gravity of the situation revealed by that information the campaign in Roumania seems to be regarded as a side incident. A declining mark is not a forerunner of victory.

THE PREMIER'S TOUR.

It is difficult to understand how Sir Robert Borden can expect the two meetings he and Mr. Bennett arranged to hold in Quebec in behalf of National Service to meet with any substantial measure of success as long as he includes Hon. E. Patenaude and Hon. P. E. Blondin in his party. The record of both of these ministers is known from one end of the province to the other, which they stumped in the last election as followers of Henri Bourassa. Only a few years ago Dr. Blondin was talking to audiences about "shooting holes in the Union Jack" and "vengeance for the martyrs of St. Eustache," while Mr. Patenaude was the organizer of the Bourassa party campaign. Naturally the presence of such men on a platform in the interests of recruiting creates distrust and suspicion and serves no useful purpose. They can be no more convincing than Bourassa himself, suddenly turned loyalist, would be.

After holding two meetings in Quebec under those unfavorable auspices the Prime Minister and Mr. Bennett are coming west. On general principles this is quite right, but a serious effort should be made to cover the country between the Ottawa river and the Atlantic first. In that area is a population of more than 3,000,000 people who so far have recruited not more than three per cent. And Quebec is not the only laggard. The three maritime provinces have still a long way to go before their recruitment will be what it ought to be. On the other hand, the west has recruited more largely on the percentages of European enlistment than any other portion of Canada, and it is confronted with a grave shortage of labor for its ordinary utilities without the operation of which a serious economic situation would arise. British Columbia's percentage of enlistment is as large as that of the United Kingdom.

Again the All-Highest has given thanks to God "who giveth us victory," and has expressed a pious hope that more assistance may be vouchsafed from the same quarter. We are astounded that the Hun chief, after his many victories, and considering what his subjects and their "valiant allies" have done to those over whom they gained victories, does not now consider himself capable of "going it alone."

Congratulations to Mr. Sloan on the success of his first appearance in the role of an industrial dispute pacificator. A little monograph on the subject by him might be of value to the Minister of Labor at Ottawa, whose idea of settling labor troubles is to stick as close as possible to the big interests. Mr. Sloan's idea is to see that both sides have fair play. Hence he has the confidence of the disputants.

A Winnipeg dispatch says R. F. Green, M. P. for Kootenay, is on his way to consult the government "about his duties." What duties? As organizer in this province for the next election or director of the National Service Board? Are the other party workers on the National Service Board also consulting the government relative to their duties?

In England it will be observed that no cabinet which does not include representatives of all parties in fair proportion is dreamed of. In Canada the National Service Board contains eleven Conservatives and one Liberal, the latter having been appointed under a misapprehension. No wonder Sir Thomas Tait resigned.

Representative government is coming to Russia fast and furiously. The leader of one of the parties in the Duma called the president of that body a "babbling blackguard." A duel is on the cards. In this country we call names, but do not fight duels. Such episodes would culminate in spiky proceedings in the police court.

Sir Robert Borden would have been better advised if he kept Nationalists Patenaude and Blondin at home and induced General Leckie to accompany him and Mr. Bennett to Quebec. Moreover, two meetings in that province will not touch even the fringe of the population between Ottawa river and the sea.

Roumania apparently entered the war for the purpose of helping herself without helping her allies. She hoped to grab Transylvania and still bar the

Roumania undoubtedly would have been only too willing to give, for the natural strategic position of Roumania would have been of paramount importance to the Russian armies. When the full story of Roumania's intervention is told it probably will be found that she undertook to continue in the role as a buffer between Russia and Bulgaria in return for the latter's assurance that she would not strike across the Danube. Roumania's opposition to the occupation of Constantinople by Russia is no less deep-seated than that of Bulgaria and Greece. Nothing else can explain her intervention without first arranging for the employment of large bodies of Russian troops with sufficient artillery for all purposes. This also would explain why she moved before the allies at Salonica had cleared up the Greek situation and placed themselves in a position to launch a blow northward. Roumania appeared to be trying to do the impossible: to make war on Austria without endangering Bulgaria or facilitating a Russian advance upon Constantinople or an entente thrust from Macedonia. She hoped to annex Transylvania without improving the position of the entente or weakening that of Bulgaria and Turkey. If that interpretation of the situation is true, and it is difficult to account for the extraordinary circumstances, which marked her action in any other way, she has fallen between several stools.

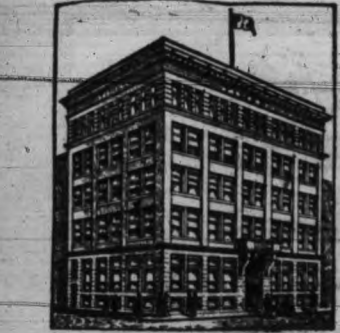
The Roumanian fiasco will revive the controversy between the "east and west schools" of military thought in Great Britain and France. One view is that an attempt to break the German front in the west is too difficult and costly without equalizing the pressure that must be exercised upon the besieged countries from all directions. This, they point out, cannot be done until contact is established with Russia and there is a better balance of man power and munitions between the east and west fronts. This can be accomplished only by a vigorous campaign with large forces in the Near East. A blow there, they point out, would be struck at the weakest spots in the Teutonic combination—Bulgaria and Turkey—whereas in the west and on the main eastern front the allies are striking where the enemy is strongest. On the other hand the west front school is impatient with the Near East campaign in every particular. It contends that the west is the decisive theatre and that a victory there would mean a victory everywhere. It points out, moreover, that Germany is the main enemy and that she can be weakened in men and resources in the west more effectively than anywhere else, which in a war of attrition is the object to be sought rather than the occupation of territory.

Notwithstanding von Hindenburg's assurance of a few weeks ago that the German lines in the west would not be withdrawn, there is every reason to anticipate some such move under cover of the exhilaration which may prevail for a time in Germany over the very ably executed campaign in Roumania. Knowing she cannot retain the territory in France and Belgium and gain peace, and realizing that the longer she remains there the more dangerous her position will become, she is likely to make the most of an opportunity of withdrawing while the public mind is preoccupied with the success in the Near East and the hope of peace which is now sedulously being cultivated by the German press. Moreover, von Hindenburg's views are well known. He seeks decisive victory on the Russian front, and to gain it he will make big concessions in the west. In addition to this Germany is quite willing to abandon what aspirations she may have had in the west in order to preserve her grip on the Balkan peninsula and Poland. This would mean the erection of a great middle European empire with Asiatic connections, extending from the Baltic Sea to Bagdad and the Sinai peninsula, and from Belgium and the Vosges to the Vistula or Bug. And that is actually the present situation.

To maintain it Germany will try to back up a long way in the west. Whether she can do it or not is another story. There is also another story in the fact that in spite of Germany's successful campaign in Roumania the German mark in Switzerland has dropped lower than it has been at any time since the war began.

STRANGE CASE OF THE GERMAN MARK.

One of the most striking phenomena of the present war situation is the continuous descent of the value of the German mark in neutral countries contiguous to the chief enemy state. This downward progress has kept pace with the Teutonic advance in Roumania. When the enemy forced the Alt, the mark celebrated the event by a small tumble. When the Arish was crossed and the fate of Bucharest sealed the mark took another dip. When Berlin announced that von Mackensen had been given the command of all the armies in Roumania the mark tumbled



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BUCHAREST AND THE WAR.

No matter how it and the events leading to it may be explained, the fall of Bucharest is a severe blow to the prestige of the allies, a climax which it is profoundly hoped will not be capped by the destruction of the Roumanian army or military consequences of a really vital character. If nothing untoward of this character happens the general military position of the allies will still be better than it was before Roumania intervened. Bucharest clearly was evacuated without a struggle after the capture of Iloesti by the enemy threatened the communications of the armies in front of it. It is unlikely that the Teutons found any considerable booty in Ferdinand's capital, for the Roumanians have had ample time to remove from it material of military value. If the defenders are able to retire in good order they will reorganize upon a line thirty or forty miles back, which, extending from the Carpathians to the Danube, they should be able to defend with Russian assistance, especially in view of the fact that they will be nearer their base of supplies. Moreover, while the Roumanians must have sustained heavy losses in men and material, this would be offset by the radical shortening of their front. A great many thousands of men stand for the difference between a front of 500 miles and one of 150 miles.

If the Roumanian army escapes demoralization the enemy will be unable to divert any large numbers from that front to the assistance of the Bulgars in Macedonia. He will have gained a rich prize in the oil fields of Wallachia, but he will have amplified his responsibilities and the drain upon his resources. His original eastern front, which ended in Bukovina at the Roumania frontier, has been lengthened 250 miles, which with the strictest economy will contain at least half a million men who otherwise would be of service elsewhere. It is true that before Roumania intervened Austria kept her frontier positions well garrisoned, but the forces employed in this were inconsiderable in comparison with those which now must confront the combined Russian and Roumanian line from Bukovina to the Danube. This extension of the enemy's responsibilities is a very definite advantage to the allies if Russia is able to equip her new lines and at the same time maintain the integrity of the rest of her front from Roumania to Riga, against which von Hindenburg no doubt now will launch a series of blows.

It is now abundantly evident that no nation in Europe was less prepared for a war which exposed it to grave risks than Roumania, and the circumstances under which she intervened are puzzling. If she dictated her own hour and conditions she alone is to blame. It is known that she had entered into a secret understanding with Bulgaria, which that country, of course, violated, thereby bringing the Roumanian dash into Transylvania to a quick end. Moreover, she struck without awaiting the assistance which

the facts are known, and all the cross-lights fired, the world will see that no man worked more seriously or more strenuously for the world's peace, and so worked that those who care for peace shall not need to be ashamed.

RUBBER INDUSTRY EXPANSION.

National Geographical Society.
The rubber gatherers in jungles of the Amazon, the Orinoco and the Congo, make incisions an inch and a half long, three-eighths of an inch wide and a half inch deep in the bark of the tropical tree which sometimes attain a height of 50 feet and a circumference of 8 feet. Beneath these cuts the native attach small cups to catch the rubber milk, which is not the sap of the tree. The average Para rubber tree yields two ounces of milk a day. By coagulation in the smoke of a wood and palm nut fire, the milk yields one-third its weight of the prized rubber, the normal annual production of a tree being ten pounds of rubber, and the flow continues fairly constant for a number of years.

One of the by-products of rubber harvesting, and one which promises extensive development, since plantations of these trees have been successful in Sumatra, Ceylon and the Straits Settlement, is the rubber seed, which yields almost half its weight of an oil closely resembling linseed oil, and adapted to the same uses. There are many varieties of rubber producing trees, vines and shrubs, the most valuable species being that which yields the standard "para," and which grows over an area of a million square miles in Brazil alone. The whole production during the year preceding the European war was 151,000 tons, her nearest competitor, the Dutch East Indies, yielding 1,000 tons. The United States in that year imported more than twice as much of the raw products as Great Britain, which stood second as buyer.

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Henry A. Barton, deputy attorney-general, leaves by this evening's City of Kingston en route to San Francisco.
On Saturday last Dr. G. L. Milne and Mr. F. H. Osgood, agent for the Thomson-Houston Electric company, paid a visit to Nanaimo on business connected with the establishment there of an electric railway. A provisional board of directors has been chosen. An inspection of the routes was made.
The city sewerage and market debentures have been sold to British investors at a gross price of 98, a remarkable figure for four per cents in the present state of the market.

WARD FIVE LIBERALS MEET THIS EVENING

Election of Officers Will Take Place; Other Wards Next Week

The members of Ward Five Liberal Association will meet this evening in the Liberal rooms, Arcade building, Broad and View streets, for the annual meeting.
The meeting will be called to order at 8 o'clock by President H. W. Goggin, and will at once proceed to the consideration of the president's statement of the work of the past year, and the election of officers for 1917.

It is desired that every member of the association should be present to-night, and take part in the selection of officers and the discussion of the other business which has to come before the meeting.
Ward Two association, which had intended to meet for the same purpose this evening, has postponed its annual meeting to Monday evening next, on which date the annual meetings of Wards One and Four will also take place.

The annual meeting of Ward Three Association is fixed for Thursday evening next week, December 14.

WEDDED LAST EVENING

Marriage of Miss Jean Patterson and Mr. R. L. Osborn Solemnized at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

Rev. Dr. Clay officiated at the marriage last night at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church of Jean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Patterson, of 1605 Belcher street, and Mr. Ross L. Osborn, of Portland, formerly agent for the Pacific Steamship Company here. The setting for the ceremony was unusually pretty, chrysanthemums being used lavishly against a background of ivy and palms for the decorations. The "Bridal Chorus" from Lohengrin was played by the organist, Mr. Jesse Longfield, while the bride entered the church and passed down the aisle to the altar. She was given away by her father, and looked beautiful in her graceful robe of ivory tulle with silver lace and silver trimmings, and her bouquet of silver roses. One bridesmaid, Miss Anna M. Patterson, attended her, wearing an attractive frock of shell pink rayon and shadow lace, a black velvet picture hat, and a feather ruff. The best man was Mr. S. J. Burford, of the United States Immigration service of this city. The ushers were Messrs. M. G. Phillips and W. Miles. The bride's mother was in a handsome costume of lavender satin with hat en suite and corsage bouquet of violets. While the wedding party left the church the organ rang out the Mendelssohn "Wedding March." At the reception held immediately afterwards at the home of the bride's parents, Belcher avenue, congratulations and good wishes were showered on the newly-married couple. The beautiful wedding gifts were on display in one of the ante-rooms, these testifying to the popularity here of bride and bridegroom alike, the former being a member of the 1913 graduating class of St. Joseph's hospital. After the dainty supper Mr. and Mrs. Osborn left to catch the midnight boat for Vancouver, en route to San Francisco and other Californian ports, where the honeymoon is to be passed. The bride's going-away costume was of silk-branded black velvet with a model hat of black velvet and a handsome set of white fox.

NO TROUBLE THIS TIME

Civic Court of Revision Proceedings Pass Without Argument To-day.
As had been anticipated, the session of the civic court of revision on local improvements held this morning was merely of a routine character. With the execution of the work at a considerably reduced figure than the estimates, there was little opportunity for protest, and had it not been that the block W lane question had suddenly sprung up in reference to a sidewalk by-law, the court would have attained to that singular distinction, not recently enjoyed, of unanimous consent.
The two by-laws for the surfacing of Johnson street, from Douglas street to Wharf street, and Broad street, from Yates street to Fort street, were passed without comment.
The by-law to widen the sidewalk on Blanshard avenue, between Pandora avenue and Burdette avenue, aroused the only protest of the day. Although the line in block W exists only on paper, the court has legally held that the city is in possession of the land and therefore arbitrations have had to proceed. Thus the owners of land on Blanshard street, near the synagogue, protested against the assessment for the work. The matter was adjourned by the city assuming the amount in dispute, and the roll will be so amended. On that understanding the assessment was confirmed.
Beta street surface drain assessment, set for this court, was not ready, and so did not come before the aldermen.

Markings: Sausages are the best.

Eight-Day Mission.—There was a big meeting of office bearers and members of the First Presbyterian church last night in the church hall, the regular weekly prayer meeting being converted to a meeting of preparation for the eight-day mission, which is to be held next week in response to the appeal of Sir David Beatty and Sir William Robertson. The meetings will begin next Sunday and will continue all week, Mr. Inkster to have associated with him Dr. Wilson, of Vancouver, and Dr. Matthews, of Seattle.



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Lecture for Soldiers.—An illustrated lecture will be given to the soldiers at the Willows camp, Y. M. C. A. on Friday evening at 8 o'clock by Pte. Kinney, of the C. A. M. C. The subject of the address will be "Mountaineering in the Canadian Rockies." Pte. Kinney has a fine collection of slides of the great range and has shown them in many of the large cities of America. A very instructive and entertaining evening is expected.

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Victorian Order of Nurses.—The regular monthly meeting of the local board of the Victorian Order of Nurses, was held on Dec. 5, at 1804 Cook street. Mrs. Robertson presided and eight members were present. The nurse reported that 393 visits had been paid during the month, 250 being nursing visits. The usual routine of visits was conducted. The board acknowledges with thanks, cash donations from Lady Crease, Mesdames J. H. Gillespie, A. Coles, George Jay, Stirling, O. M. Jones, Goddard, R. Nash, B. C. Moss, A. Garascho, Carrie, A. H. Mitchell and J. Forman, and baby clothing and old linen from Mesdames Wm. Wilson, Cook and Hardie, and Miss Kribbs. The nurses would be very grateful for lengths of cotton flannel, etc., also babies' vests.

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Superfluities Holiday.—At the suggestion of F. W. Jones, chairman of the Victoria and District branch of the Red Cross Society, Henry Pearce, of "Superfluities," has agreed to the closing of the rooms in the Belmont block from December 16 to 27. The suggestion was made by the Red Cross with a view to avoiding interfering with the trade of some of the smaller shops and leaving the field clear for some of the other activities usual at this season. The ladies of the "Superfluities" committee were consulted and agreed to the closing of the shop on Saturday, December 16. As this, however, would delay the sale of the Christmas raffle tickets, the drawing of the raffle is to be deferred until early in the New Year. Mr. Pearce hopes that after Christmas there may be many more superfluities which will be given to the rooms for disposition in the good cause for which the funds are reserved.

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Certainly, the quilting trimming is a very novel idea from the fertile brain of the modern designer. It is generally used in bands at the lower edges of skirts and suit coats and is also used as a decoration for collars, cuffs and pockets. The work is done in machine stitching and usually the same color silk as the background is used. The sketch above illustrates the conventional diamond-shaped design but other designs of a less conventional character are also utilized. In this attractive one-piece frock of satin, the belt and the lower edge of the skirt are quilted. Some suits of satin and silk have been seen with quilting on the collar, cuffs and pockets. Imitations of the quilting idea have



A Satin Dress with Quilting on Belt and Skirt

also been carried out in heavier materials. For instance, a very good looking full length coat was worked with heavy navy blue silk in the diamond-shaped quilted design on a mustard-color background. The large square pockets were entirely covered with this work, a touch of it was on the cuffs, and the collar also had some of it. Mustard is one of the very popular colors for separate coats. Numbers of them are seen at present, some unrelieved by any trimming, and others with collars of Hudson seal or other black furs. Some of them also have bands of fur at the edge of the sleeves or of the coat itself.

The Present Styles Very Youth-Giving. The woman who has not invested in a one-piece frock this season must feel very much out of the swim of fashion. As the days go by, more and more of these frocks are seen in serge, broadcloth, wool jersey, velours, velvet and velveteen. When a top coat is not necessary, a shoulder cape of fur is the usual accompaniment. Straight lines continue to be the most approved in this type of dress, for the fashion these days is to be slim, and no better way of obtaining this effect is to be had than by wearing dresses cut on these lines.

For producing straight effects, nothing gives better results than the long unbroken panel and consequently the panel is now enjoying its day of popularity. A smart effect is shown here in the dress of black velvet with a satin panel extending from neck to hem. The bulging pockets add to the

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style of this dress and do not detract from the slender effect. Panels are not all stitched down like this one. Some of them hang free over the dress and are known as floating panels. A dress which has been specially admired was of dark blue crepe meteor with long straight panels back and front in the form of an overdress. These were in a lighter shade of blue crepe meteor. They extended from shoulder to hem and were confined at the waist by a loosely-tied cord. The top of the front panel was embroidered in silver across the front.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

All personal items sent by mail for publication must be signed with the name and address of the sender.

J. Marsh, of Duncan, is at the Dominion hotel.

F. M. Dimock, of Toronto, is a guest at the Empress hotel.

Henry Olsen, of San Jose Bay, is at the Dominion hotel.

C. O. Deslaurier, of West Point Grey, is at the Metropolis hotel.

G. W. De Beck, of Marpole, is a guest at the Dominion hotel.

W. B. Ewart, of San Francisco, is staying at the Empress hotel.

Capt. A. L. MacKenzie, of Seattle, is staying at the Metropolis hotel.

W. J. Rogerson, of Toronto, arrived at the Empress hotel yesterday.

Mrs. F. N. Clarke, of Gordon Head, is registered at the Metropolis hotel.

C. and F. Lees, of Clifton, Bristol, registered at the Empress hotel yesterday.

R. C. McDonald, of New Westminster, is a new arrival at the Dominion hotel.

L. L. Butler and F. B. Fisher, of Vancouver, are guests at the Metropolis hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Grubb, of Vancouver, registered at the Empress hotel yesterday.

W. A. Brown, poultry specialist, of the federal department of agriculture, was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. C. E. Peabody, of Seattle, and Mrs. E. J. Palmer, of Chemainus, are staying at the Empress hotel.

C. J. Knudson and Mr. Knudson, of Irma, Alta., are visiting Victoria and are staying at the Dominion hotel.

O. H. Cameron, of Chicago, is renewing acquaintances with Victoria after 43 years' absence and is registered at the Dominion hotel.

At "Breadalbane" the marriage took place on Thursday, November 30, of

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A. W. Oliver, of Ladner, is at the Dominion.

W. L. Moffat, of San Francisco, is at the Dominion.

J. Smith, of Chemainus, is at the Strathcona hotel.

John Watt, of Saanich, is staying at the Strathcona hotel.

F. W. Foster, of Hillbank, is a guest at the Strathcona hotel.

A. Knight, of Chilliwack, is registered at the Strathcona hotel.

W. T. Burrill, of Seattle, is registered at the Strathcona hotel.

Jas. A. Riggs, of Vancouver, is a guest at the Strathcona hotel.

Miss M. Bolster, of Cowichan Station, is at the Strathcona hotel.

W. Larson and E. Willson, of Seattle, are staying at the Dominion hotel.

D. H. Alexander, of Shawnigan Lake, has registered at the Strathcona hotel.

J. B. H. Rickaby, who represents the Steel Company of Canada, leaves today for Hamilton, Ont., to attend the annual conference of the company. He expects to be home again about the 24th inst.

R. T. Ward, of Bullion, is at the Dominion hotel.

D. D. Munro and L. B. Graham, of Vancouver, are staying at the Dominion hotel.

Dan Savoy has returned from the Cascades and is staying at the Dominion hotel.

Mrs. E. D. Sheringham is down from Cobble Hill and is staying at the Strathcona hotel.

A "send-off" tea was given Tuesday afternoon at the Empress palm-room to Miss Lottie Bowron, who left Tuesday night for a three-months' holiday in England. Miss A. Russell and Mrs. McNaught poured tea, and other friends of Miss Bowron present to wish her bon voyage were Mesdames J. R. Green, W. Holmes, M. Burge and Austin, and the Misses Taylor, McCullough and Bruce. In the evening members of the O. K. Club entertained the soldiers at the Military Convalescent Home, taking down refreshments and games, dancing and music filled up an enjoyable evening which terminated by a hearty send-off for Miss Bowron as she drove away to catch the midnight boat. She is due to arrive at Liverpool two days before Christmas.

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OLIVE BRISCOE IS POPULAR ACTRESS

Makes Hit at Pantages on Bill of Novelty and Interest

Olive Briscoe, one of the outstanding features of the present Pantages bill, is a comely young woman who was introduced to the vaudeville patrons by Percy G. Williams, one of vaudeville's strong men, who has a way of discovering talent where least expected, although in the case of Miss Briscoe he had an excellent "form chart" of "past performances" to guide him.

This star was born in St. Louis. Her artistic career resulted from the illness

of her sister Lottie, one of the daintiest and most talented of moving picture leading women. It was because of the illness of the sister that Olive was impressed into theatrical service, the transition being made under the guidance of McKee Rankin, with whom she played "child" parts. When Lottie recovered and returned to the cast, she had to fight Olive for the place. It was one of the prettiest little fights that has been recorded for years. When the smoke of battle cleared away, it found them both victors, Olive being associated with the stock company at Hauck's opera house in Cincinnati, where she remained four years and withdrew only long enough to complete her neglected education. She then became a member of the cast presenting the comic opera, "Kismet," and when Eddie Ford, the famous bicycle rider, felt impelled to elevate the stage with a melodrama, Olive became his leading woman.

She then became a member of the company of the late Richard Mansfield, with whom she remained several seasons, followed by various stock engagements, her specialty being lady villains or "hussies," as she was pleased to term them. Some of the productions in which she figured during this period were "Lost River," "That Girl Patsy," "The Thief in the Night," "The Kresner Sonata," "The Sorceress," and other dramatic plays, in which Blanche Walsh successfully appeared.

On the programme with Miss Briscoe at the Pantages this week the London Singing Bell Ringers offer a most pleasing novelty, consisting of bell ringing and harmony singing. These boys have voices that blend beauti-

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fully, and their selections are very well received by the audience. A most gorgeous setting is carried with the act.

The Betting Bettys, a musical comedy along familiar lines, is another good entertaining feature, with two funny comedians and a beauty chorus of pretty girls who are good dancers and wear some beautiful costumes.

Sigsbee's acrobatic dogs offer a distinct novelty in animal acts. These clever dogs do tricks never attempted before by any other canine aggregation, and the easy way they go through their routine of work is amazing.

Smith and Kaufman offer a comedy and singing number entitled "A Mid-night Occurrence," which is popular, and the third episode of the "Shielding Shadow," serial introduces new characters and new thrills which intensify the interest in the plot of the fascinating story.

YOUNGEST STAGE STAR IN THE SILENT DRAMA

Viola Dana in "The Light of Happiness" at the Dominion Theatre

Viola Dana, the dainty and gifted young Metro star, who has the stellar role in "The Light of Happiness," which will be the feature at the Dominion theatre to-day, to-morrow and Saturday, has been appearing in public practically all her life. And that is not so very many years, either, as little Viola is but 18 now, incidentally being the youngest legitimate star in the silent drama. She has proved a marvel since she began appearing in so many difficult roles in motion pictures, but before her advent into them she was known from coast to coast for her remarkable performance in "The Poor Little Rich Girl." This play ran for more than two seasons on Broadway.

Miss Dana's first appearance was as a solo dancer, when she was five years old. As a tiny mite of a girl she was in constant demand as a dancer, and appeared in fancy and toe dancing on several notable occasions. This attracted her to the stage and one of her first parts was in Ibsen's "When the Dead Awake." Later she had the important role of "Little Hendrick" in "Rip Van Winkle," playing with Thomas Jefferson for three seasons. During this

time Mr. Jefferson took a great personal interest in Miss Dana, and gave her much encouragement in her artistic endeavors.

Miss Dana's first work in pictures was in "Molly, the Drummer Boy," with the Edison Company. It was an experiment, but it proved such a tremendous success that she was induced to sign a long-time contract with that company. Among some of the other big features in which she was starred are "The Slavey Student," "The Blind Fiddler," "The Stone Heart," "The Innocence of Ruth," and the role of "Thelma" in "The Portrait in the Attic."

Since she has been with Metro Miss Dana has been starred in "The Flower of No Man's Land" and "The Light of Happiness." Two of her sisters are also in motion pictures, Edna Flugrath and Leonie Flugrath.

There is a flavor of the delightful writings of Sir James M. Barrie in the characterization John H. Collins has drawn in the part of "Tanglefoot," the role essayed by Miss Dana, in "The Light of Happiness." Left an orphan, the daughter of a drunken father, she is shunned by the community. A young minister who comes to the town and who understands the great and true principles of humanity, takes her under his wing. The town gossip reveals to him this action on his part and plan his ruin with their vicious attacks. There are many interesting complications in the story and it is unfolded in a masterly and artistic manner on the screen.

The fiery crucible of war has burned away much that was sordid in the lives of the men who are taking part in the struggle for liberty. Another remarkable case of a man who has emerged from the conflict purged of disgrace is that of the Rev. Dr. F. P. Farrar, rector of Sandringham, and formerly domestic chaplain to the King. Farrar, who was a son of the late Canon Farrar, the well known writer, was educated at Cambridge and soon made a mark for himself as a preacher and a court favorite. Then something happened and he was asked to resign his charge. Farrar disappeared and it is said came to Canada and lived in British Columbia. At the outbreak of war he went to France and joined the Foreign Legion and did such splendid work that time after time he was singled out for special honors. By the merest chance his real identity was discovered a few days ago. He has been decorated, offered a commission in the British army, and the old charges against him, which were never proved, have been wiped off the slate. —Montreal Journal of Commerce.

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"Behind the Screen," which will be the attraction at the Columbia to-day, Friday and Saturday, is the funniest picture that Charlie Chaplin ever produced.

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"Behind the Screen" contains the largest cast of any of the Mutual-Chaplin comedy offerings. Including the "extras" of all those in minor roles, the cast totalled 100 persons.

"A FOOL THERE WAS"

PRESENTED ON SCREEN

Picturization of the Kipling Poem Now Being Shown at Royal Victoria

Headed by such famous players as Edward Jose and the notable Parisian actress, Theda Bara, the cast assembled for the William Fox Production of "A Fool There Was." Porter Emerson Browne's powerful drama of a siren and her victim, which is the feature attraction at the Royal Victoria, to-night, Friday and Saturday, calls for acting ability of the very highest order, not only in its principal characters, but also in the minor roles, every one of which is important.

Edward Jose is known to theatre-goers all over the world. Starting his stage career with Mme. Bernhardt, Mr. Jose played practically every classical role in that actress's repertoire. It was with Mme. Bernhardt that he learned the value of careful attention to detail which has earned him the name of "The Warfield of the Movies." When he produced Cyrano de Bergerac, Rostand's brilliant play, in Paris, one of his audience was the "divine voice" who warmly congratulated him on his success.

Miss Bara is known to audiences in Berlin and Vienna as well as in Paris, where she was leading woman at the Theatre Antoine and the Gymnase. She is peculiarly suited by appearance and temperament to enact the part of the beautiful heartless vampire woman, who lures men to her only to destroy them. The gowns she wears in this role, in themselves, cost a small fortune and were designed largely by Miss Bara herself.

Other important members of the great cast of "A Fool There Was" are Clifford Bruce, an actor of distinction and ability, Victor Benoit, a well-known juvenile name of wide experience and authority, Miss May Allison, known as "the most beautiful woman in the pictures," Mabel Freymeyer, an actress of exceptional grace and charm and little Runa Hodges, without a doubt the cleverest child actress in this country. Taken all in all it can be said that "A Fool There Was" is cast as few pictures have ever been. It is not a case of one big name and the rest just "fillers." Every actor and actress was selected by Director Powell after a long process of elimination. The fact that Miss Bara was brought from Paris especially to play the vampire woman attests to this as

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AEROPLANE FIGURES

IN SCREEN PLAY

"The Kiss," Being Shown at Variety Theatre; Pictures of Canadian Troops

As the title indicates, "The Kiss," which is the photoplay feature at the Variety to-day, Friday and Saturday, is a story in which the exchange of carresses between the first, or stellar, parts forms a very important incident. The first kiss, which is the forerunner of many others, is stolen at a mask ball, and Owen Moore, who is the leading man in the play, and who had stolen the original kiss, was so captivated by the sweetness and warmth thereof that he sets out to find the actress who escaped after the first brief instant of bliss.

The play is full of interesting scenes, some of which are dramatic in the extreme. Miss Marguerite Courtot, who takes the leading feminine role in this absorbing story, precipitates a thrilling spectacle when she causes the collapse of the aeroplane in which she is being rescued in mid-air.

The programme also includes pictures showing the departure of Canadian troops from England for France.

E. W. Beatty, K. C., vice-president and general counsel for the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, has offered to raise and equip a company of 250 men for the New Brunswick Militia. Beatty will secure his men from the West and promises to have them in record time. Mr. Beatty is the youngest vice-president the Canadian Pacific railway ever had, and also one of the youngest directors. He is on the sunny side of forty, having been born at Thorold in 1877. He was educated at Upper Canada College, the University of Toronto and Osgoode Hall, and joined the legal department of the C. P. R. in 1901, and was made chief counsel a dozen years later. He is one of Canada's coming men, while his quiet, unassuming manner is evidence that he has not been spoiled by success. —Montreal Journal of Commerce.

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BALL GAME RULES TO BE CHANGED

Spit Ball May Be Eliminated; Question of Raising Player Limit to Be Considered

New York, Dec. 7.—The elimination of the spitball—in fact, the elimination of the use of any foreign substance as an aid to the pitcher; the question of raising the player limit; the complaints regarding short fences and bleacher walls; John McGraw's outburst; umpire baiting; world's series changes—all these and many other questions will be well thrashed out when the National League magnates get together December 12 for their annual gathering in New York.

Governor Tener, president of the National League, is one of those who believe in the elimination of the spitball and its variations. A pitcher, Governor Tener believes, should have no need for outside agencies and the cleanliness of the game has something to do with his opinion. He believes, along with a great many others, that the spitball is just a wee bit indecent and repulsive.

The change in the player limit has found many champions and it is one of the things that magnates and critics alike expect will be doctored. Clubs have suffered because they didn't have an adequate number of substitutes to carry on their games. The Philadelphia and Boston clubs are two examples of this. The New York Giants and the Phillies are expected to lead a fight for the rescinding of the twenty-two-player rule.

The short bleacher wall in Philadelphia is certain to come in for discussion. It is obviously unfair to opposing clubs to count all balls into the left field bleachers home runs. The wall is low and many a drive which would be good for only two bases in other parks, bounds into the bleachers for a circuit clout. As the Phillies play many more games there than any other club they get too many whacks at the short wall, opposing clubs contend, and they will make an effort to have something done about it.

John McGraw's statements are certain to be aired when the magnates get their fanning started. Several of them are said to be in favor of rigid discipline for the Giant's leader.

Umpire baiting has been carried on without regard to the open season in the National League and the good work started last season for the benefit of the braves probably will be carried to satisfactory conclusion.

"Reductions in the salaries of ball players, commensurate with their value on the field of play, may be made by club owners in the National League. Such questions, however, are for the individual club owners to decide," this was President John K. Tener's reply when asked if it was true that the National League contemplated slashing salaries prior to the opening of the 1917 baseball season.

DARCY IS IN AMERICA, SAYS GEORGE CHIP

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—Les Darcy, the Australian fighter, left Sydney, N. S. W., October 28 as a stowaway on the American steamer Hattie Luckenbach, according to George Chip, the Pennsylvania middleweight, who arrived here from Australia on the liner Sierra.

Darcy got a decision over Chip during the latter's stay in the Antipodes, and Chip said he won because he was the better man.

"Darcy is a real champion," said Chip. "He can punch and he can box and has more speed than any man I ever fought. He told me he would fight all comers when he reached the United States."

The Luckenbach, on which, according to Chip, Darcy stowed away, arrived at Taltal, Chile, November 29.

INTERNATIONAL TO MEET.

New York, Dec. 7.—Edward Barrow, president of the International League, has issued a call for the annual meeting of the league to be held in New York City Monday, December 11. President Barrow said the club owners of the league had left the matter of an interleague schedule with the American association to his discretion.

AMATEUR HOCKEY STAR



GEORGE STRAITH

Who in the opening game of the Amateur Hockey Association of Seattle between the Elks and the Bankers played a very strong game. Straith, who was formerly a local player, caused much favorable comment from the fans, at the match in the Sound City, as a result of the clever game which he played. He will again be with the Elks in their match Friday.

MAKES SENSATIONAL PLAY



RAN M'DONALD
Star player of Spokane "Canaries," who in the opening game did some clever scoring for his team.

MIKE GIBBONS IS OPPONENT FOR DARCY

St. Paul Boxer Has Shown Himself to Be a Great Middleweight

Milwaukee, Dec. 7.—While there was no decision at stake in the ten round clash between Mike Gibbons and Jake Dillon at St. Paul, the contest demonstrated that Mike is without doubt, one of the greatest middleweights in the world, the exception being Les Darcy, of Australia, and it is up to Gibbons to meet the Australian in a title bout over the Marathon route, and not ten rounds. Jeff Smith, who made his appearance at Milwaukee the same night and stopped Joe Herrick in three rounds, also showed that he has real class, and is well entitled to demand a match with Gibbons for the American championship.

Dillon may be able to make the middleweight limit of 155 or 160 pounds, but there are few who will believe it, for Jack seemed to be at the limit in going down to 162 pounds for Gibbons the articles calling for 158.

In order to settle the question of supremacy in the middleweight division, Dominick J. Tortorich, of New Orleans, has offered a purse for a Marathon route battle there in January. That would settle the question and give the States a recognized champion again. Les Darcy, the Australian, has since Stanley Ketchel passed away. If Dillon will not agree to make weight for Gibbons he should be counted out of the running and placed in the light heavyweight class. There are two other middleweights who could be matched with Gibbons at New Orleans—Jeff Smith, of New York and Bob Moha, of Milwaukee. Both of these boys have agreed to make the required 155 or 160 at 3 o'clock.

Chip Defeats Magli.

Geo. Chip, the New Castle (Pa.) middleweight, who was defeated by Les Darcy in Australia, came back after being stopped by the famous champion and handed a knockout to Bert Magli, the Oklahoma boy, in fourteenth rounds. Magli had made a big hit with the Australians by beating Dave Smith and Fred Ray and he was selected to meet Chip at Melbourne. Manager reports of the fight have been received here, but enough to say that it was a great battle up to the time Chip put over the K. O.

Magli had been expecting a match with Darcy, but this defeat knocked it off the tab. The victory would naturally put Chip in line for a return bout with the Australian, but advice has been sent here that Darcy was on his way to America. If such is the case, then it will knock out some good matches for the Americans who are still there, but up to the present time no word has been received from Snowy Baker, telling of Darcy's departure. It may be a mistake, as it seems only reasonable that Darcy and his manager would want to get as much publicity out of the trip as possible.

Old-Timers Back in Ring.

Boxers never know when to quit the ring; in fact, few of them ever do quit until they have been jolted around by youngsters and made to see their errors. Some time ago Billy Murray, the California middleweight, announced his retirement from the game, as his sight was bad and he was not in the best of health. Sailor Petroskey, another California product, also announced his retirement; in fact, the sailor has been out of it for a few years, his last fight of note being with Jimmy Clabby in 1912, when he lost a twenty-round decision. Now comes a report that Billy and the sailor fought the other night at San Diego, Cal., Murray getting the decision in a four round bout. The bout was so good to the fans that there is talk now of re-matching them for twenty rounds.

Another match proposed is between Murray and Bob McAllister. Thus, two of the supposed retired boxers are brought to the front, as the stars of the middleweight division in the far west. It might be added, too, that Bob McAllister, whom many of the fans thought was just as clever as Jim Corbett when the latter was in his prime, has been fighting better than ever on the coast, and he will probably soon start an invasion of the east.

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FOOTBALL PLAYER

KILLED IN ACTION

R. McFadden, English Athlete Who Won Military Medal, Dies for Country

London, Dec. 7.—English soccer has received another severe loss by the death of R. McFadden, the brilliant Clapton Orient forward, as the result of wounds received in the severe fighting on the Somme. McFadden joined the footballers' battalion soon after the outbreak of the war and quickly earned promotion, and at the time of receiving his fatal wounds was company sergeant-major of the battalion. Only in September last he was awarded the military medal for gallantry in action.

His brilliant playing for the Orient club attracted the attention of the English league clubs and more than one offer was made of \$5,000 for his transfer, although a practically unknown to the south of England when he first appeared. For the Orient McFadden leaped into prominence almost from the start, and he was easily the top goal scorer at the end of his first season.

He lived, as he died, a hero. Two years ago he rescued a child from a burning house in Clapton Park, and also saved two boys from drowning in the River Lea. For these acts he was publicly presented with a gold medal. McFadden is the second Orient player to lose his life fighting for his country, Jones making the supreme sacrifice a few months ago.

MILITARY ATHLETICS DIRECTED BY SCHOLES

Toronto, Dec. 7.—Lieut. Lou Scholes, who suffered a broken ankle while training with the 10th (Sportsmen's Battalion) at Camp Borden, and who was therefore unable to accompany his battalion overseas, has been appointed to carry on the duties originally discharged by Captain Tom Flanagan, also of the Sportsmen's Battalion, as director of athletics in military district No. 2. The Diamond Skulls winner has been on crutches for many weeks, but is now able to undertake the heavy duties of the position. Lieut. Scholes has been on the official casualty list ever since his accident.

BASKETBALL AT Y. M. C. A.

In the basketball game played last night at the Y. M. C. A. between the High School and the Y. M. C. A. seniors, the former team won by a score of 31 to 25 after a very hard match. The High School took the lead in both periods and the checking throughout was very good. The teams were as follows: High School—Shandley, McNamee, Hay, Manson and Stevens. Y. M. C. A.—McAdam, Whyte, Todd, Hopkins and Peden.

Two games will be played at the Y. M. C. A. on Saturday evening, the first starting at 7.45. This match will be between the Vancouver ex-Normal girls and the Victoria Normal girls. In the second the ex-Normal men will be matched against the Y. M. C. A. seniors.

TWIRLER GETS RELEASE.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—After playing 13 years in the major leagues, Mordecai Brown, the famous three-fingered pitcher of the Chicago National league club, was given his unconditional release by Charles H. Weeghman, president of the club. Brown is 38 years of age. He came to Chicago from the St. Louis Nationals in 1904.

CHARLEY EBBERTS

HAS NEW SUGGESTION

Plan to Increase the World's Series and Extend Season

C. Hercules Ebberts is loose again. It was Ebberts who wanted to abolish—or practically abolish—the bleacher seat prices in all big league parks. He decided this autumn ought to pay 50 cents for the privilege of sitting in the bleachers sun—or drizzling rain—and to watch a ball game from a place so remote from the real zone of activity that the combatants resemble penguins. His calmer and less grasping associates voted down his proposal.

The next move of Hercules was to alienate many of the Dodger fans by taxing them \$5 for the same-view world series seats for which other club owners had asked only \$3. Not only did Ebberts arouse a storm of protest in Brooklyn, but elsewhere in the U. S. A. All of which has lost many fans who have become disgusted with his tactics.

And now he has a few new ideas on how the public can be bribed loose each year for more money to enrich the magnates. He wants the regular playing season lengthened. The present 154-game schedule doesn't afford him enough opportunity to rake in the shekels. Ebberts wants more—about 14 games more.

And C. Hercules finds that the world series isn't drawn out long enough to suit him. He would make it nine games instead of seven. That would insure five games for each series. The last one ran only five games and C. Hercules was bitterly disappointed because his "split" was only a mere \$92,052. Had it been a nine-game affair, C. Hercules would have been "in" for six games at least.

C. Hercules would have the purse for the players limited. He doesn't believe in the players getting so much. Perhaps, if C. Hercules expressed his inner views on the matter, it would be found that he thinks \$100 each is enough for the competing players—with the proviso that they must pay all their own traveling expenses.

C. Hercules, discoursing on what it cost him to conduct a world series tour, gasped:

"Why, think of it, our hotel bill was \$1,000 alone."

It listens like "small time" stuff for a big league magnate, who made over \$90,000 through the five-day performances of his men, to sort of begrudge the trifling sum of money he had to pay out for providing them with food and lodging.

Is it any wonder that some men who have loved baseball for years have had it crushed out of them by the greed of the magnates who have transformed it from sport to a cool-blooded commercial enterprise?

RUGBY PRACTICE FOR V. I. A. MEN TO-NIGHT

W. H. Davies wishes all rugby players of the V. I. A. to turn out this evening for a practice at the club rooms at Victoria West. He is anxious that the players should get all the training possible for their game with the Bantams on Saturday, and he is also keeping in mind the visit of the Michigan team later in the month, which is now almost a certainty.

SPORTING NEWS

FORMER HOCKEY STAR HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Broadbent, Ottawa Player, Was Buried by Shell, but Manages to Get Out

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—In a letter to a friend Harry Broadbent, one of the greatest hockey players ever turned out by the Ottawa Club, relates some thrilling experiences on the firing line in France. "Punch" was recently blown up and buried, but up to the time of writing he had come through without serious injuries. He writes: "This is the life, all right—sometimes. Our guys have been pounding away night and day, and by this time I am, of course, used to it. I am in the best of health and able to handle three squares each day, though I have had a couple of close calls.

"Last week a shell exploded close by when I went forward on a little scouting expedition. It tore up the earth at a great rate and dazed me for a minute or so. When I woke up I thought they had made a mistake and buried me alive, as I was up to my neck in mud and slush. However, I got out all right. It felt like getting a body-check from Horace Merrill or Art Ross. Two weeks ago another shell exploded, and some of our men were badly injured by the shrapnel. I was lucky on that occasion, as it knocked me sprawling, but did not even leave a bump. I suppose the fellows will soon be getting down to practice at the Arena again. After the war I will be able to play on the defence, as I have taken on a lot of weight and am much too big for a forward."

PATRIOTIC HOCKEY AT WINNIPEG ASSURED

Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—Patriotic hockey is assured for Winnipeg on a three-team basis, Victorias, Monarchs and 22nd Battalion, as a result of a double meeting of the Manitoba Hockey Association and the Winnipeg Patriotic Hockey League. W. Noble is the new president of the former organization and P. Hay is the new head of the Patriotic League.

PATRICK EXPECTS BIG SEASON FOR P.C.H.A.

President of League Looks for Successful Year in Popular Ice Sport

With the various teams in the league composed of the best players obtainable and the competition for supreme honors more keen than ever before, ice hockey will enjoy an unusually successful season this year. In the opinion of President Frank Patrick, of the Pacific Coast Hockey Association.

"In entering on our sixth championship race," he said, "I wish to say that it has been the aim of the managers of the various teams on the Pacific Coast Hockey Circuit to secure the best talent regardless of expense, and I think that every team has been strengthened this season, and that we will provide keen and clean play for the followers of the game. As in the past the P. C. H. A. will insist on clean play. No rouding will be tolerated and our referees have been instructed accordingly."

"I anticipate a close race. Every club is well-balanced and the team that wins the championship and to whom will go the honor of playing for the Stanley cup against the Eastern winners, will unquestionably be the strongest that ever carried off the title in the Pacific Coast League.

"The inclusion of Spokane has strengthened our circuit and with conditions more favorable all over the northwest, I look forward to the most successful season in the history of our organization. I want to assure the public that the P. C. H. A. has always set a high standard, and this will be maintained in this season's championship series."

JACK DILLON TO FIGHT IN JANUARY

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 7.—If plans of Dominick Tortorich, boxing promoter of New Orleans do not go astray, there will be a big battle in the southern metropolis in January to decide definitely the status of Jack Dillon, of Indianapolis.

Tortorich has in mind a twenty-round contest between Dillon and Mike Gibbons with a referee's decision on the end and a similar bout with Battling Levinsky as the "man killer's" opponent. Tortorich believes Dillon and Gibbons would draw close to a \$40,000 house. But, while it is believed Dillon would be willing to hook Gibbons would not be so easy. Tortorich does not expect to have any difficulty in lining up Dillon and Levinsky, and he is willing to hang up for them a belt emblematic of the light heavyweight championship.

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CARPENTIER-WILLARD BOU IN NEW YORK

Misses Morgan and Marbury
Among Sponsors; Funds for
French Wounded

New York, Dec. 7.—The proposed 10-round no-decision boxing bout between Georges Carpentier, heavy-weight champion of Europe, and Jess Willard, the world's champion, has among its sponsors Miss Ann Morgan and Miss Elizabeth Marbury, it was learned yesterday. Miss Morgan is treasurer of the American fund for the French wounded, under the auspices of which it is hoped to bring Carpentier here. Miss Marbury, who also is actively interested in the French fund, said that her interest in the proposed bout was solely to see that the \$50,000 which she hopes the fund would receive from the proceeds, was properly handled.

"Miss Morgan and I willingly consented several weeks ago when approached on the subject, to see that the funds, whether amounting to this sum or more, would be forwarded to France for the purpose intended," Miss Marbury is quoted as saying. "Georges Carpentier is badly needed at the front these days, for his duties are such that his place would be hard to fill. It will take much effort if French officials are finally prevailed upon to extend him leave, although they may be told that a few months here would mean much for French women and children."

"If he finally does come over and the bout is held, the public can be assured that the money contributed through the purchase of tickets will be assured for the purpose stated. That I wish to repeat, is the only reason Miss Morgan and I are interested in all in the proposition."

FAST SENIOR SOCCER IN SATURDAY GAMES

Two very fast senior soccer games are looked for on Saturday when the V. I. A. A. meet the Wests and the Bantams play the Garrison. The former teams are the only two civilian clubs in the league and the rivalry between them is very keen, both having lost in the games which have already been played. The match will take place at Beacon Hill and is refereed by B. H. Robinson.

The game between the Garrison and the Bantams is also exciting much interest owing to the fact that both teams are very strong, neither having been defeated. This match will be played at Central Park, with Mr. Payne as referee. The teams follow:
Garrison—Bromley; Gale and Lynn; Marple, Vincent and Forrest; Wells, Davis, Plimore, Franklin and Buxton. Bantams—Lester; Barker and Menzies; Johnston, Hornsby and Blakeborough; Harris, Johnson, Youson, Cornwall and Wilkie.

ISLAND POULTRYMEN WIN AT VANCOUVER

Vancouver, Dec. 7.—Victoria and Island poultrymen scored a number of successes at the fall show here, which is the largest local show ever held in the province. Some 1,500 exhibits were passed on by four judges.

Messrs. Reid and Greenwood took first prize for cock birds, second and fourth for cockerels, and first and fifth for pullets in the class for rose comb Rhode Island Reds; first cock, second hen, second and fourth cockerels and first, second and sixth pullets in the single comb Rhode Island Red class.

W. S. Stewart, in the Wyandotte class, had third cock, fifth hen, third cockerel and second pullet. This was the biggest class in the show and included forty-one pullets.

Other Vancouver Island winners were: Messrs. Williams, H. Ismay, J. Bales, J. Harris, E. Ellis and A. Havers.

THIRD MAJOR LEAGUE.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—A plan to form a third major league out of the International League and the American Association may be taken up at the annual meeting of the club owners of the latter organization in Indianapolis to-morrow, according to the Herald to-day. The plan, advanced recently to President Johnson, of the American League, was to combine Baltimore, Newark, Buffalo and Toronto, of the International, and Toledo, Milwaukee, Indianapolis and Louisville, of the American Association. It later was suggested to substitute Columbus for Milwaukee in order to make the new circuit more compact.

The WEATHER

Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 7.—5 a. m.—An ocean storm area is spreading inland over Northern B. C. and southerly gales prevail along the Coast. These may extend to the Straits and Sound. Sharp frosts have been general from Vancouver Island southward to Northern California, while in Cariboo and parts of the prairie provinces zero temperatures have occurred.

Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Friday.

Victoria and vicinity—Easterly and southerly winds, increasing to gales on the Straits, unsettled and milder, with rain.

Lower Mainland—Easterly and southerly winds, fresh to high on the Gulf, unsettled and milder, with sleet or rain.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.44; temperature, maximum yesterday, 41; minimum, 34; wind, 4 miles S. E.; rain, .04; weather, cloudy.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.44; temperature, maximum yesterday, 35; minimum, 23; wind, E.; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.46; temperature, maximum yesterday, 22; minimum, 12; wind, 4 miles S.; weather, cloudy.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.34; temperature, maximum yesterday, 24; minimum, 2 below; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.64; temperature, maximum yesterday, 36; minimum, 22; wind, 16 miles S. E.; rain, .32; weather, raining.

Tatosh—Barometer, 29.38; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 26; wind, 10 miles S. E.; rain, .18; weather, cloudy.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 29.50; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 22; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.32; temperature, maximum yesterday, 66; minimum, 46; wind, 4 miles N.; weather, clear.

Temperature.

Max. Min.

Nanaimo (Entrance Is.)

Grand Forks

Penticton

Cranbrook

Nelson

Prince George

Colony

Edmonton

Qu'Appelle

Winnipeg

Toronto

Ottawa

St. John

Halifax

Victoria Daily Weather.

Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Wednesday:

Temperature.

Highest

Lowest

Average

Minimum on grass

Maximum in sun

Melted snow, .02 inch.

Bright sunshine, 4 hours 5 minutes.

General state of weather, fair.

WEEKLY WEATHER REPORT.

Victoria Observatory.

From Nov. 29 to Dec. 5, 1916.

Victoria—Total amount of bright sunshine, 17 hours and 15 minutes; rain, .54 inch; highest temperature, 49 on 2nd; lowest, 31 on 1st.

Vancouver—Total amount of bright sunshine, 7 hours and 54 minutes; rain, 1.57 inch; highest temperature, 46 on 2nd; lowest, 29 on 1st.

Kamloops—Total amount of bright sunshine, 16 hours; no rain; highest temperature, 40 on 2nd, 2nd, 3rd and 4th; lowest, 26 on 20th and 5th.

New Westminster—Rain, 1.44 inch; highest temperature, 45 on 2nd; lowest, 29 on 1st.

Penticton—Precipitation, .67 inch; highest temperature, 54 on 3rd; lowest, 24 on 5th.

Nelson—Snow, 1.00 inch; highest temperature, 38 on 2nd; lowest, 21 on 1st.

Grand Forks—Snow, 4.10 inches; highest temperature, 35 on 2nd; lowest, 5 on 1st.

Cranbrook—Highest temperature, 43 on 2nd; lowest, 5 on 1st.

Barkerville—Snow, 3.00 inches; highest temperature, 34 on 2nd; lowest, 10 on 5th.

Prince George—No rain or snow; highest temperature, 42 on 2nd; lowest, 12 on 5th.

Prince Rupert—Precipitation, 4.55 inches; highest temperature, 44 on 2nd; lowest, 26 on 2nd.

Atlin—Snow, 1.50 inch; highest temperature, 36 on 2nd; lowest, 16 below zero on 5th.

Dawson—Snow, 1.00 inch; highest temperature, 6 below zero on 2nd; lowest, 26 below zero on 5th.

BRITTON IN BOUTS.

New York, Dec. 7.—Danny Morgan, manager of Jack Britton, welterweight champion, has booked the titleholder for three matches. This week he will tackle Dave Latta at Milwaukee; at Milwaukee on Dec. 12 he will meet Ritchie Mitchell, while at Kansas City on Dec. 21 he will again meet Ted Lewis over the 15-round route to a decision. Britton also is practically signed up to box Jimmy Duffy, of Lockport, at Buffalo on New Year's Day. Billy Mike and Tom Cowler will battle at the Broadway Sporting Club, Brooklyn, Dec. 12, and Dillon and Mike on Dec. 19.

COMMITTEE TO PROBE COST OF LIVING

Vancouver Council Active;
Mayor Deprecates Gambling
in Food Stuffs

Like the Victoria city council, the Vancouver council had a discussion on the cost of living order-in-council on Monday evening and appointed a committee to take up the subject.

The matter was brought to the attention of the council in a communication from Mayor McBeath, reviewing the recent legislation, and outlining the powers conferred on the council by the government.

"I believe," said the mayor, "it is the consensus of opinion that the local wholesale price of such articles as potatoes, flour, sugar and other articles have been advanced from time to time since the outbreak of the war without any regard to the quantities in stock or their actual cost. In boosting these prices up to the level of quotations fixed largely by foreign stock exchanges the consumer has suffered, while the dealer has made huge profits."

"Gambling in foodstuffs should not be tolerated; a fair profit over and above actual cost is all that any dealer is entitled to. I desire to point out to the council that the power of invoking the provisions of this act upon behalf of this city lies in your hands, and if you are of the opinion that any necessity of life is being sold at excessive prices might suggest that you pass the necessary resolution without delay, to have the returns as provided in the act made to the council, upon receipt of which you may decide as to whether or not you are warranted in forwarding the same to the minister of labor for further investigation."

"I have no hesitation in recommending such a course, and would be prepared to invoke the provisions of these regulations to the utmost limit."

"While I feel that section 5, which confers inquisitorial powers upon the council is surrounded with considerable indefinite red tape, I believe it is our duty to embrace every opportunity of which we can avail ourselves to protect our citizens from excessive prices, that any steps which you may take with that end in view will have my hearty support."

It transpired that the health inspectors have the right of access to cold storage warehouses for the purpose of ascertaining the age of articles, but have no power to condemn consignments on the ground of age alone. Although the federal authorities have been requested on several occasions to put a time limit on foods, no orders have been issued.

As the aldermen could not agree which articles should be investigated, a committee of four aldermen was appointed to go into the subject more fully.

Mrs. S. D. Scott, president of the Local Council of Women, wrote to the council expressing the sympathy of that organization with any attempt on the part of the city council to reduce the cost of living, and offering to co-operate with the aldermen in the investigation.

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TAMING SAVAGES WITH THE TELEPHONE

Former Constabulary Officer
Here Yesterday Describes
Some Experiences

The triumph of Occidental civilization over lawless and vicious savages has taken many forms to the same end, but it is doubtful if history can offer a parallel to the tutoring of head hunters with school, pharmacy and telephone, such as is being accomplished with the Moros in the island of Mindanao and the Sulu archipelago.

Something of what is being done was told to the Times yesterday by C. M. Harris, a passenger on the Empress of Japan, while he was waiting for the Seattle steamer en route home. Mr. Harris is a young man who has already lived the strenuous life. Trained at the West Point military academy, he has, like so many adventurous spirits, found an avenue for excitement in the trying period during which Uncle Sam was settling himself in the saddle in the Philippines. The particular phase of his activity was as an officer of constabulary among the Moros, the terrors of the southern islands, and after assisting in the taming, routine police work left its claim this March, and he drifted down to the Dutch Indies, where he has been working in the interior of some of the islands for the Standard Oil Company. Commerce, however, has no particular charm for him, and he is now on his way to get a post in the army where fresh excitements may be anticipated with the same regularity as pay day.

The Pacification.

"How have the Moros been reconciled?" he was asked.

"It has been a long job," he explained, "and has required infinite patience. However, they are now on the upward movement, and in a few years they will be as well regulated as any section of the islands. Still there are places yet where no Filipino is allowed to go as an official, because the inborn antipathy to the Filipino on the part of the Moros has not yet been overcome, which would certainly produce trouble. Gradually, however, the white officials are being diluted with Filipinos as the districts get more settled."

"After cutting roads we have established a chain of constabulary posts on each small island, and in the Moro sections of Mindanao, linked by telephone. Drug stores, or rather dispensaries under medical charge, and schools have been established. Under the special provision for governing the Moro districts are adopted. The constabulary are encouraged to co-operate with the native chiefs, who are educated in details of local administration, and thus be in a position to control the possible outbreaks. The chain of communication is now spreading rapidly, and efficiently, and our efforts are better understood in consequence."

Revenge Often Conquers.

Mr. Harris told some gruesome stories of the earlier days of his life in the archipelago, particularly in some of the remoter islands of the Jolo group. These tales explained the object of some of the specimens he is bringing home, a miniature cannon, native weapons, including the dreaded barong, and the jagged looking kris, two native arms capable of deadly results to the foe. The Moro when he hates, hates thoroughly, says so, and acts without undue finesse, with the business end of his powerful weapons. At one time he said it was no uncommon thing for a Moro to drop into the police office with the head of a foe, and thereupon he would give a circumstantial account of the number of pieces into which the victim was divided, executing a small dance while explaining for the official's edification why and how it was done.

Mr. Harris has had many personal encounters with the savages, and says in all the attacks, mostly by stealth, in incessant guerrilla warfare, he only lost five men. One favorite practice was to take advantage of the long grass, which rises to a great height, concealing everything, and lie in wait for the Americans, then strike them from the side with the barong, or knife, which would almost cleave a man when taken unawares before he could draw a gun. Every kind of treacherous attack of this character has been exploited by the vicious tribesmen.

"Their close relationship to the Malays, no doubt, made them in past years famous pirates. To-day they use practically unsinkable V-shaped dug-outs. Smaller paroes of similar build are made from native woods for navigation of the rivers, which were the only means of communication till roads and trails were opened by the whites."

Mr. Harris seems to think the day of murders is almost over, and that the future work of the constabulary will be of routine character, in which a man will not carry his life in his hand, as he has done hitherto.

The pomegranate now appearing on our fruit stalls does not seem to have increased in price since the war, for you can buy a fine specimen for a penny. It is generally an importation from Portugal or North Africa. Although the tree, which is hardly more than a bush, will not fruit in England, it can be grown in London and the southern counties, and is very ornamental. The rind of the fruit has a certain value, as it contains tannin; it is used medicinally and also to tan leather, for which purpose small quantities are imported into Britain. But as a fruit the pomegranate is, perhaps, the least popular grown—London Chronicle.

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MILITARY MEDAL FOR SGT. J. W. P. CLARK

Victorian Wounded and Rewarded for Bravery at Courcelette

Sgt. J. W. P. Clark, of the 48th Highland Battalion, was wounded in the knee in fighting in the neighborhood of Courcelette, and has been awarded the Military Medal. He is now in the hospital at Glasgow.

Sgt. Clark was for two years in the employ of the W. A. Jameson Coffee Co., and during that time became well known in cricket circles, having played for the Five C's club. He came here from Calgary and had been in Canada five or six years. He is about 30 years of age. Leaving here with the 30th Battalion as a private he soon re-

once or twice to the theatre with his party and then to Copeland & Lyne's big tea-rooms for a big feed afterwards. We had recitations and songs, not forgetting "The Maple Leaf" and "O Canada." There was quite an audience before we finished. We certainly did have some time. We have been taken to football matches in brackets, and to tell you the truth, I'm afraid I'm spoiled for France again.

"I had a letter from a fellow in the battalion who congratulated me on winning the Military Medal. The announcement appeared in the battalion orders on October 11. The Battalion did not know where I was, so I have had no official intimation, but I knew I was recommended."

LOCAL SOLDIERS

AMONG CASUALTIES

One Victorian Reported Missing and Two Have Been Wounded

Cpl. Fairnie, who is reported as missing, was in the employ of the Empress hotel in this city. He went from here to San Francisco and while in the south war was declared. He returned to Victoria and enlisted with the 6th Western Scouts. It is possible that he may be a prisoner of war, but no intimation has been received that he is alive.

The name of Pte. Percy Stevens appears in the casualty list. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Stevens, of 1242 Port street. He was in the hospital for some time suffering from shell shock and is now reported wounded. He is 20 years of age and before leaving he was employed in the marine and fisheries department of the Dominion government.

Pte. M. R. McQuaig was wounded November 23, this being the second time within a month. He is now suffering from gunshot wound in the leg. His wife is living here at 1008 Port street, and his mother is in Portage LaPrairie. Angus McQuaig, a brother, was killed in action on October 8, while another brother, John, is with the ambulance corps.

Military Items

The 211th Battalion, in which there are a number of Victorians including Sgt. Cecil Milroy and Pte. H. J. Wilson, left Calgary recently in command of Lieut. Col. Sage. This unit, which was formerly known as the American Legion, is composed of 1000 men who have lived on the American side. While not allowed officially to use the name which was first given them, they will be known popularly as the American Legion as long as they hold together as a unit.

Dental men have been much in demand in the army, and many have gone from this city. Dr. A. G. Macdonald, who is in the army, is making regular visits to Ottawa, where they assemble from different parts of Canada. The following British Columbia men leave Vancouver to day en route to Ottawa: Capt. F. H. Quinn, W. J. Rutherford, and A. E. Wark; Sgts. L. S. Brown, H. H. Butler, T. B. Crimmon, and J. F. Duffey; Ptes. R. A. and D. T. Blackie, L. J. Clark and P. Stuart.



THE LATE FLIGHT SUB-LIEUT. DOUGLAS WHITTIER

The above is from a photograph taken a few days before the young Victoria aviator met his death in an aeroplane accident in England last July. Lieut. Whittier, who was the only son of Mrs. A. D. Whittier, was born in this city and attended local schools. He took a course in aviation at the Curtiss school at Toronto, passing the various tests with marked credit. He was similarly successful in the qualifying tests in England, where he was regarded as one of the most skillful aviators sent from Canada. He was killed while manoeuvring over the Isle of Thanet, in Kent, his machine becoming unmanageable and falling to the ground.

BRITISH SKIPPERS

SHOT BY GERMANS

Commanders of Hun Submarines Kill Captains of Vessels

Particulars are to hand of the way in which the crew of the steamer Bosnian sank the German submarine in a voyage from Alexandria, Egypt, to Liverpool, on October 26 last. Serg. Vickerstaff, of the 231st Battalion, Vancouver, has just received a letter from his brother, who is one of the officers of the steamer which fought the Hun submarine and eventually sank it.

"During my watch at 7.30 a.m. on October 26 we were attacked by an enemy submarine which fired 12 or 13 shots at us. He had got in about eight rounds, the first one putting a hole in the port side of our vessel, before we got our gun into action. We blazed away and our seventh shot silenced him. He remained on the surface, unable to submerge, when we silenced him with our seventh shot, and with the fourteenth shot we sank him. The action lasted about 15 minutes."

"Our crew," he continues, "were all British, and behaved splendidly all through. I regret to say that our third officer was killed during the action. I do not mention the name of the ship on account of enemy reprisals. They have taken several captains out of their boats after sinking them, and in some cases have shot them."

The six Vickerstaff brothers are all serving their country in one capacity or another.

COMES WITH MESSAGE

TO VICTORIA PEOPLE

Lieut.-Col. Guthrie Will Speak on Recruiting at Old Victoria Theatre

After being through some of the thickest of the fighting and being severely wounded at Festubert, and later being a passenger on the Hesperian at the time she was torpedoed, Lieut.-Col. P. A. Guthrie comes to Victoria with a message about war and the duties of the people in regard to it. He will speak at a public meeting in the old Victoria theatre to-morrow night, and he will recount some of his experiences.

Soldier, but also an exceptionally able speaker, he has been delivering addresses in all the principal cities of Canada, and wherever he has gone he has had large and enthusiastic audiences. He is the commanding officer of the 228th Battalion, New Brunswick Militia. The object of his tour is to stimulate recruiting from a national standpoint.

The 10th Battalion, which was raised in Alberta, and which was nicknamed the "White Goshawks," was led by him, and he was with it when wounded at Festubert, in the spring of 1915. Those who are touring with him include Major C. G. Goggin, medical officer of the 228th; Major Cuthbert J. Morgan, formerly of the 5th Western Cavalry; Capt. E. Sturdee, formerly of the 26th Battalion, Capt. Percy Godenrath and Sergeants Lawney and Anderson. Premier Brewster will preside at the meeting, which will commence at 8 p. m.

WINS MILITARY CROSS



LIEUT. C. C. REAY

Who left with the 48th Battalion, and while serving with the Field Artillery was awarded the Military Cross for conspicuous service in keeping open the lines of communication on the Somme front under shell fire for three days. He resided in this city for two years before joining the colors, and his mother at present is living in the city.

The busiest man in the Near East is Admiral Dattier du Fournet, commander of the allies' naval forces in the Mediterranean. Recently he has been holding conferences with King Constantine in an effort to make that stubborn, narrow-minded monarch take a reasonable attitude, and one of his last steps was to assume the role of administrator of Athens. The admiral is sixty years of age, and is one of the best known naval men in the employ of the French government. He saw service against China, in France's war with Siam in 1893, in Morocco and in the Mediterranean. He is a Breton by birth, while most of his sailors come from his native province. Montreal Journal of Commerce.

"Does your husband never offer to help you with the dishes?" "Frequently, about the time I am ready to hang up the dishpan."—Kansas City Journal.

BANTAM BATTALION

READY FOR SERVICE

Officers and Men Anxious to Receive Orders to Proceed Overseas

There is a good deal of feeling not only among the members of the 143rd, but among the citizens generally, in regard to the way in which the Bantams are being treated. While other regiments have been sent overseas which have had nothing like the training which the men have received, the Bantams have been kept back. From Manitoba battalions at only half strength have gone forward with a full complement of officers, and the result has been that there are now too many officers in England, many of whom were political appointees. The Bantams were mobilized over a year ago, and while obstacles have been put in the way of recruiting, such as the cutting down of the height and the exclusion of certain territories, yet they have now reached approximately full strength, and are well trained and efficiently officered. For months they have been waiting for orders to go overseas, but they are still here and the result is that they are very dissatisfied.

The officers of the Bantams, five of whom have seen previous service, have all been appointed without any suggestion of political influence. They have perfected themselves and their men in military work with the result that they are to-day probably one of the most efficient bodies of men from a military standpoint mobilized in this province. All that they ask is a chance to fight. It has been pointed out that it would be practically impossible to break up this battalion because the small stature of the men would make it undesirable that they should be drafted into other units.

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1,500 Work Shirts in Drills, Galathea, Sateens and other materials. Regular 85¢ to \$1.00. Now **.50¢**

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COUNCIL BUSINESS SET FOR TO-MORROW

Real Estate Exchange Will Have Suggestion to Offer Tax Delinquency Committee.

To-morrow afternoon the aldermen have two meetings. They are invited at 2 o'clock to the board room of the Vancouver Island Fire Underwriters' Association to discuss the question of rate reduction for fire insurance in the city. The circumstances under which this application is renewed are familiar, the completion of the connection of Sooke supply to the high pressure system having greatly increased the pressure downtown, accelerating a request for rearrangement of rates. According to provincial officials, there are 30 board companies and 15 non-board companies paying insurance losses in the province, so that the overwhelming bulk of the insurance of Victoria must be with the board companies.

At the streets committee of council to follow, the question of hastening the removal of the impasse with regard to the Port street poles will be taken up. The officials cannot issue the certificate to the H. C. Telephone Company of the completion of the underground conduit undertaking till this is done. Legal advice is that the poles must come down on the three blocks in question. Meanwhile the trolley wires are carried upon them, and the city will doubtless have to give the street railway time to erect other poles before ordering the telephone poles to come down.

The tax delinquency question and the inquiry into conditions at the health department continue to divide attention at the city hall. On the latter there is nothing new to add, except that so far no alderman has posted the necessary notice of motion upon which the inquiry is to be held next Thursday.

The delinquency tax returns are engaging the attention of the city comptroller's department, as asked for in two resolutions, so that they may be ready for the first meeting of the committee of the whole on Tuesday afternoon.

At a meeting of the Real Estate Exchange yesterday the subject came under discussion and a small committee was appointed to take the question into consideration, and to present the case for the exchange when the civic committee meets. One proposal which the members seemed to favor was that the city should assume, to be borne out of revenue, the difference between the estimate on local improvement works and the actual cost. Such an idea has already formed part of the offer held out to owners on streets like Oak Bay avenue and Denman street, and while in those cases the end has not been reached, it has been a substantial effort to meet the excessive charges levied under some by-laws. Doubtless the city would not be unwilling to adopt this course for actual street improvement work which was badly managed in the boom, but the by-laws where excessive expropriation compensation damages were paid, present an entirely different case. In these by-laws it did not rest with the city that the assessor's estimates were greatly exceeded. The court has held that difference between estimates and actual cost, however flagrant in fact, cannot upset the liability of a local improvement by-law.

REVELSTOKE CONFIDENT

Liberal Association Congratulates Premier and Attorney-General on Taking Office.

It was in Revelstoke in 1913 that the Liberals of the province selected H. C. Brewster as the leader of the party, and Revelstoke has always since felt that it occupied a special place in the party on that account.

The welcome given to the leader on his visit there with his colleague, M. A. Macdonald, last summer, was a particularly warm one, and testified to the high esteem in which both are held there. Now comes another tribute from that city, following the assumption of office by the leader and his lieutenant. There was a meeting of the Liberal Association of the riding held in Revelstoke this morning, at which the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, that this association expresses its pleasure and gratification on the selection of Hon. H. C. Brewster as premier, and confidence in his selection of his colleagues to carry on the government of British Columbia. "It is further resolved that this association desires also to express its pleasure in the appointment by Premier Brewster of M. A. Macdonald as attorney-general, in whose ability and integrity this Liberal Association has every confidence."

FIRE IN SPENCER'S

Outbreak in One of Stockrooms This Afternoon Draws Crowd.

An outbreak of fire in one of the stockrooms of Spencer's Ltd., about 2.30 this afternoon called out the fire department. Business was suspended for about half an hour, the main floor from the entrance at the corner of Broad and View being filled with smoke. The doors were closed to customers for a short time, and the employees had a brief reprieve from the rush of Christmas shoppers. Once Chief Davis and his men arrived on the scene the trouble was soon set right.

"The book I have just finished said: 'The hero drank in her beauty.' "However could he do that?" Through his eyeglasses, I guess."

"ELIJAH" GIVEN BY METROPOLITAN CHOIR

Big Audience Hears Famous Oratorio; Gideon Hicks Sings Prophet

The feature of last evening's performance of Mendelssohn's famous oratorio, "Elijah," sung at the Metropolitan Methodist church, was Gideon Hicks's very fine interpretation of the part of the prophet. This work, which has been performed thousands of times since its first appearance in England, in 1846, is more or less familiar to most lovers of sacred music, and is a great favorite among the oratorios, fresh evidence of the fact being found in the exceptionally large audience which was present last evening to hear the production.

On the whole the performance was highly creditable, and showed care in the preparation. The unavoidable circumstances of place and space will continue to account for a condition which will often make the performance of the bigger dramatic incidents of such works disappointing, owing to the absolute impossibility of staging the necessary number of voices to give the effects required. But apart from this essential handicap the Metropolitan choir under G. A. Daynard's leadership brought to bear in the performance of the oratorio a very good equipment, the parts being well-balanced, the work straightforward, and the singing sincere. In fact one of the most apparent faults of the chorus arose from over-zealousness, viz., a tendency "to rush the attack" when commencing some of the more dramatic passages. This was chiefly notable in the chorus by the priests of Baal. It was in such parts as "Help, Lord!" and "Yet doth the Lord see it not," that the choir showed itself at its best, while the descriptive chorus, "The fire descends from heaven," was admirably done.

Solos, trios, quartettes and double quartettes were presented in an interesting way. To "Elijah" fall a majority of the more exalted passages, and these were taken by Mr. Hicks in a manner which is above criticism, dignity, sympathy and reverence, characterizing his interpretation, while vocally he possesses a voice of rare quality and artistic finesse. His phrasing, particularly in that beautiful passage, "It is enough," was one of the outstanding beauties of the whole performance.

To Mrs. Parsons, whose voice is used with sympathy, no less than musical intelligence, fell other beautiful solo passages, and in the dialogue with Elijah did some very fine work, while she also carried the beautiful soprano air, "Hear ye, Israel," with considerable distinction. J. O. Dunford, who possesses a pleasing tenor, did justice without even, however, quite sufficiently projecting the character, to a majority of the passages that fell to him, one of the best being "Man of God, now let my words be precious," etc. Miss Luney, Mrs. L. Tickner and Mrs. S. Morton, all contraltos, shared among them the airs and recitatives which are given to these voices. One of the most pleasing duets was that by Mesdames Packard and Dunford, "Zion Spreadeth Her Hands."

At the organ, Edward Parsons did a great deal to support the choir through some of the weaker places, and generally contributed to the dimensions and beauty of this big work, the instrumental overture of which is in itself quite an individual piece.

STAFF AT "RESTHAVEN"

Miss Macdonald, Formerly of Jubilee Hospital, for Matron.

The following is the personnel of officers' staff at Resthaven, the Sanatorium in Sidney district that has just been opened as an extension to the Military Convalescent Home, Esquimalt:

Matron in charge, Miss Macdonald, formerly matron of the Jubilee hospital. Head nurse, Miss Baxter. Associated with her will be Miss Clarke and Miss Wilkinson. Miss Paula Irving will serve as masseuse. Probationers will include Miss Bridgman, Miss Sterling, Miss Cross, Miss Lang and Miss Rhodes. Miss Maude Scott, who formerly held a similar position at the Esquimalt hospital, will be stenographer.

Dr. G. Pearce, the resident medical officer, has had splendid experience for the position, having been for a year in the Mediterranean war zone.

FORECLOSURE ORDER

Mr. Justice Clement Decides Against Man Who Left Service.

Mr. Justice Clement sitting in chambers this morning decided that a person who had joined the forces but later been discharged did not come within the provisions of the War Relief Act. The question came up on application of H. C. Hall for a final foreclosure order on behalf of Arthur Lee and A. B. Fraser against Alice Doumani.

It came before the chief justice a month ago and at that time C. F. Davis suggested that the husband of the defendant intended to join another unit. Seeing that he had not done this his Lordship Mr. Justice Clement this morning gave the order of foreclosure.

Mr. Davis urged that as the defendant's husband had already been in a unit that was mobilized for service the War Relief Act applied to her just as much as to a returned soldier.

His lordship: "If the war lasts for ten years could a man be compelled to pay his debts?"

Mr. Davis claimed that was the law, but his lordship did not think it applied in this case, and gave the order for foreclosure.



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Misses' Gun-metal Lace or Button Boots, for dress or everyday wear. Reg. \$4.00. Closing out at

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Gunmetal military Boots, with latest cloth tops. Regular \$4.50. Closing out at

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50c

Women's Patent Button and Lace Boots, grey or black cloth tops. Reg. \$4.50. Closing out at

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Boys' Bulldog Kip Waterproof Boots, double soles, leather lined. Closing out at

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Boots with viscolized soles. Reg. \$5.50. Closing out at

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Women's Fine Vici Kid Button Boots

McPherson make. Reg. \$5.00. Closing out at

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Men's Tan Russia Calf Lace Boots, Goodyear welted soles, \$6.00 values. Closing out at

\$3.95

Women's Box Calf Lace and Button Boots, Cuban heels, medium soles, \$4.00 values. Closing out at

\$2.45

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35c

Men's Black Winter Calf Lace Boots, double soles, waterproof. Reg. \$7.00. Closing out at

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Men's Assorted lot of Gun-metal and Patent Boots, including Barry's and Hart's, lace or button. Values to \$7.50. Closing out at

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Solid box calf, school or dress Boots. Sizes 1 to 5½. Reg. values, \$3.50. Closing out at

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Youths' Box Calf Winter Boots, sizes 11 to 13½. Reg. \$3.00. Closing out at

\$1.95

Women's 8-inch Top Patent Lace Boots, Louis heel, nothing later. Reg. \$5.50. Closing out at only

\$3.85

Growing Girls' Boots, in box calf, with medium heels. Reg. \$4.00. Closing out at

\$2.95

Children's Kid Button Boots, patent tips; sizes 8 to 10½. Reg. \$2.50. Closing out at

\$1.75

Women's Gun-metal Lace Boots, with champagne colored tops. Reg. \$9.00. Closing out at only

\$4.90

Women's Cushion Sole Lace Boots with rubber heels; finest kid. Closing out at

\$3.95

MEN'S

Kid cushion sole Boots, laced. Reg. \$7.00. Closing out at

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Women's Gun-metal Button Boots, cloth tops, Louis heels. Reg. \$4.50. Closing out at

\$3.45

Women's Mary Jane Patent Pumps, sizes 2½ to 7. Reg. \$3.50. Closing out at

\$2.50

Men's Gun-metal and Button Boots, latest recede toes. Reg. \$5.00. Closing out at

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Children's Patent Mary Jane Slippers, sizes 8 to 10½. Closing out at

\$1.50

Men's Plain Toe Kid Lace Boots, special for tender feet. \$5.00. Closing out at

\$3.85

Men's Vici Kid Slippers, English made. Closing out at

\$1.75

Men's English-made Working Boots, steel plates on heels and toes. Closing out at

\$3.45

Children's Patent Ankle-strap Pumps, sizes 11 to 2. Closing out at

85c

Women's Kid Strap Slippers, worth \$2.00. Closing out at only

\$1.35

Men's Superfine Checked Felt Romeo Slippers. Closing out at

\$2.50

Men's Mahogany Colored Calf Boots. A splendid medium boot. Closing out at

\$3.45

Misses' Vici Kid Boots, laced, values to \$3.00. Closing out at only

\$1.05

Men's Gun-metal Calf Button Boots, \$6.00 values. Closing out at

\$3.95

Children's English Blue and Red Felt Slippers, solid leather soles. Closing out at

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TUG GOLIAH'S CREW WILL RECEIVE PURSE

Heroic Tussle With the Elements to Save Niels Nielsen to Be Rewarded

Seattle, Dec. 7. — Heroism displayed by the officers and crew of the tug Goliah, of the Puget Sound Tug Boat Company during their wild dash 220 miles off Cape Flattery to the rescue of the disabled steamship Niels Nielsen, and the skill involved in taking the big craft in tow in raging seas as she was drifting to certain destruction on the rocky shore of Vancouver Island, will be rewarded by the presentation of a purse of gold to Capt. Thomas Nielsen and his men, the gift of the owners and underwriters of the big Seattle-built craft, according to C. H. Williamson, president of the California corporation of Williamson, Peck and Hughes, insurance brokers and average adjusters.

"We have decided that such skill and daring as that displayed by Captain Nielsen and his men shall not be unrewarded and are arranging for a cash gift; a substantial one in gold, for the officers and men of the Goliah, said Mr. Williamson. "The presentation will be made in the near future. We wish to show our appreciation of the dangers encountered by the men during their trip off Cape Flattery in heavy weather."

The Niels Nielsen and her cargo are valued at approximately \$4,000,000, and this huge sum was saved by the daring dash of Captain Nielsen and his men to the disabled craft 220 miles off the Cape, according to Mr. Williamson.

DEMAND DOWNY MATTRESSES.

Claiming that the mattresses furnished to sleep on were not as soft and downy as they might be and that the vessel was not seaworthy, three members of the crew of the American schooner Omega, which has been lying at Port Townsend for a week with lumber loaded at Port Ludlow for Sydney, refuse to go to sea in her.

BREAKWATER NOW ALL BUT COMPLETE

Victoria's Great Seawall Will Be Finished by the End of This Month

WILL BE TAKEN OVER BY DOMINION IN JANUARY

Rapid Progress Being Made in Construction of Piers; Statistics to Date

At the end of the present month Victoria's breakwater will be complete and early in January the great marine structure designed for the protection of shipping at this port, will be turned over by the contractors, Sir John Jackson, Ltd., to the Dominion government. The first row of rubble was dumped early in 1915 and there now rears itself off Ogden Point a solid mass of stone and concrete extending 2,900 feet to seaward. It is admittedly one of the greatest engineering feats of many similar undertakings successfully completed by this world-famed contracting corporation. The work has gone steadily forward in spite of the many obstructions that have had to be overcome in a scheme of this magnitude. Today Victoria can boast one of the best protected harbors to be found throughout the entire length of the Pacific coast.

Along the westerly shores of the gulf, under the shadow of the Sooke hills, is Albert Head, and at this point there is a gigantic cavity out of which over a million tons of broken stone has been blasted for the purpose of forming the foundations of the breakwater. The latest statistics on the breakwater show that, all told, no less than 1,235,000 tons of rubble has been dumped to form the foundations of the great seawall since the contract was started. These figures include 993,000 tons of coarse broken stone and 242,000 tons of finer material known as "core." The total amount of granite blocks, each weighing from 5 to 15 tons, used on the contract is given at 153,500 tons.

All this material was quarried in British Columbia. The cement used for the building up of the superstructure and parapet was also supplied by a British Columbia concern. In the superstructure no less than 29,000 cubic yards of concrete has been utilized.

At the present moment only 550 feet of the parapet remains to be completed. Five hundred feet of this is still unfinished at the shore end of the wall. The breakwater has three arms. The first arm from the shore is 580 feet long, the middle or main arm, 1,500 feet, and the extreme arm, 700 feet in length.

The head block at the extreme end of the seawall is complete, and the anchor bolts are there in readiness for the construction of the lighthouse which it is proposed to erect. It is expected that the construction of this lighthouse will be proceeded with by the marine department immediately the breakwater is taken over by the government.

Government Piers.

Steady progress is being made on the government piers which are gradually assuming shape inside the breakwater.

NOW UNDERGOING REPAIRS HERE



NORWEGIAN STEAMER NIELS NIELSEN

The contractors, Grant Smith & McDonnell, have already closed down their plant at Rosebank, where the huge concrete caissons were constructed. All the crabs, with the exception of one, which is completed at Esquimalt, have been sunk, and at low tide the outline of the two piers is to be seen well above the surface. The concrete superstructure, practically "over" its entire length has been completed on one side of the pier next to the breakwater. This work can only be carried on at night as at high tide the top of the crabs is submerged about five feet. It is estimated that about 30 per cent. of the work is completed.

The big suction dredge stationed at the entrance to the inner harbor is stowing sand in between the parallel lines of crabs at the rate of from 2,000 to 4,000 cubic yards daily. Approximately 1,100,000 cubic yards of material will be necessary to fill in the area between the crabs. It is on this area that the dock warehouses will be built.

Additional material for this section of the work is being supplied by the government dredges working in the inner harbor. The following statistics are available covering the progress on the piers to date: Rubble dumped, 373,000 tons; top dressing, 8,000 cubic yards; fill for crabs, 95,600 cubic yards; back-fill, 330,000 cubic yards; concrete used in superstructure, 4,162 cubic yards.

For the month of November, 18,300 cubic yards of "fill" were completed and 3,837 cubic yards of concrete put in the superstructure. In the construction of the 52 crabs, 55,400 cubic yards of concrete and 4,600 tons of steel, were used.

FEAR FOR SAFETY OF SANTA BARBARA

Wreckage Bearing Steamer's Name Washed Ashore at Nehalem

Astoria, Ore., Dec. 7.—The steamer Santa Barbara was reported in distress to-day off Nehalem. The tug Wallula has left here to go to the vessel's assistance. Ring buoys marked "Santa Barbara" and large quantities of lumber were coming ashore at Nehalem.

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—Little concern was felt here to-day by officials of the J. R. Hanly Company, owners of the steamship Santa Barbara, over reports that wreckage bearing the steamer's name had been washed ashore yesterday on the Oregon coast. As the vessel carried no wireless equipment the company could only surmise that she was safe. There was a smooth sea yesterday when the steamer left South Bend, Ore., loaded with lumber for San Diego, and manned by a crew of 21 men.

NOTICE TO MARINERS

British Columbia: (387) Burrard Inlet—Vancouver Harbor—Off Entrance to Coal Harbor—Change in Position of Mooring Buoy.

Change in position of mooring buoy—The mooring buoy, maintained in Vancouver harbor, off the entrance to Coal Harbor, heretofore moored in Lat. N. 49 deg. 17 min. 29 sec., Long. W. 123 deg. 6 min. 58 sec., has been moved to a new position 225 yards 346 deg. (N. 39 deg. W. mag. from its old position. Lat. N. 49 deg. 17 min. 35 sec., Long. W. 123 deg. 7 min. 9 sec. Depth—71 feet. Description—Wooden platform buoy, 12 feet square, painted white, showing about a foot above water. Note—This mooring buoy is not to be considered as an aid to navigation. It is maintained by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

British Columbia: (288) Toile Channel—Tenas Island—Day Beacon Erected. Position—On Tenas Island, the small island on the west side of Sarah Island, two miles north of Separation Point. Lat. N. 55 deg. 43 min. 13 sec., Long. W. 129 deg. 22 min. 49 sec. Description—Pyramidal wooden slatwork beacon, surmounted by a wooden slatwork ball. Color—White. Elevation—Top of beacon is 33 feet above high water mark.

TRANSFER TO NEW OWNERS.

The steamer British Columbia is due at Tacoma, and on this voyage will complete her charter to the Union Steamship Co. She will be turned over to her new owners, James Griffiths & Sons, of Seattle, who will put her in the Anyox-Alaska trade.

STEAMER DEAL CLOSED.

A steamship deal has been closed whereby the steamers Jefferson and Dolphin have been purchased by the Crosby Transportation Company from the Alaska Steamship Company. The vessels will ply in the Great Lakes trade.

CROWN OF LEON REPORTS ON COAST

Harrison Freighter at San Pedro En Route From Liverpool to Victoria

The British steamer Crown of Leon, Capt. Oliver, of the Harrison Direct Line, arrived at San Pedro yesterday from Liverpool after an uneventful voyage. The steamer has 350 tons of assorted Kingdom freight to discharge at the southern California port, and will come on to Victoria via San Francisco, arriving here about December 15. The Crown of Leon is the "Christmas Ship," but on the present voyage she is not overstocked with the goods that go toward making a happy Yuletide. Heretofore the December ship of the line has always been known in Victoria as the "Christmas ship," but that old appellation will have to be forgotten until the end of the war at least. Then the trade in toys and other Xmas novelties will be resumed.

The steamer is bringing several hundred tons of general cargo for Victoria and Vancouver. She sailed from Liverpool October 28, and is on her first trip to North Pacific ports in the Harrison service. After discharging cargo here and at Vancouver the Crown of Leon will load bunkers at Comox and then shift to the Sound to load freight for home-ward voyage.

The Leon is one of the smaller vessels of the fleet operated by Prentice, Service & Henderson, of Glasgow, in conjunction with the Harrison ships.

Despite the heavy losses suffered by the Harrison Line from submarine warfare, the company has not missed a single sailing in its monthly service between England and British Columbia. Of all the European lines that operated here from the United Kingdom before the war, it is the only one that has not dropped out of the route. The Crown of Leon is being followed here by the steamer Ormiston, and she in turn will be succeeded by the freighter Sculptor.

WIRELESS REPORT

December 7, 8 a.m.
Point Grey—Snow; S. E. light; 30.32; 30; thick.
Cape Lazo—Rain; S. W. strong; 30.28; 34; sea rough.
Pachena—Rain; S. E., fresh; 30.15; 33; sea rough.
Estevan—Rain; S. E., strong; 29.90; 37; sea rough.
Alert Bay—Snow; W.; 29.80; 29; sea moderate. Str Camosun at wharf, 7.30 p.m., northbound.
Triangle—Rain; S. E., fresh gale; 29.54; 34; sea rough. Spoke Admiral Goodrich, 8.30 p.m., Queen Charlotte Sound, northbound; spoke str Venture, 11.35 p.m., off Namu, southbound; spoke str Prince Rupert, 12.30 a.m., Queen Charlotte Sound, southbound.
Dead Tree Point—Rain; S. E., fresh; 29.37; 38; sea smooth.
Ikeda Bay—Rain; S. E. gale; 29.04; 42; sea rough. Passed out, str Prince Albert, 8.35 p.m., northbound.
Prince Rupert—Rain; S. E. gale; 29.29; 33; sea rough.
Noon.
Point Grey—Snow; S. E. light; 30.27; 32; thick.
Cape Lazo—Rain; S. E. strong; 30.11; 35; sea rough; thick seaward.
Pachena—Hazy; S. E. gale; 30.10; 34; sea moderate.
Estevan—Rain; S. E. gale; 29.40; 40; sea rough.
Alert Bay—Snow; S. E. strong; 29.62; 29; sea moderate. Spoke steamer Venture, 10 a.m., sheltering in Alexandra Bay.
Triangle—Cloudy; S. W. fresh; 29.95; 35; sea rough.
Dead Tree Point—Overcast; W. light; 29.46; 35; sea smooth.
Ikeda Bay—Cloudy; S. W. light; 29.30; 44; sea smooth.
Prince Rupert—Rain; S. E. gale; 29.29; 35; sea rough.

UNUSUALLY SMALL CATCH

Flamingo Caught but 11,000 Pounds of Fish in 17 Days.

The Canadian fishing steamer Flamingo, which reached Vancouver yesterday from the banks, had a catch of only 1,000 pounds of halibut and 10,000 pounds of black cod, although she had been out for 17 days. The steamer met with almost continuous bad weather around Hecate Straits and fishing was only possible for about two days of the whole voyage. She did not sustain any damage and word from the North is that the glass is rising, and that the fishing fleet is now off to the westward and meeting better weather. The Flamingo will lay up at Vancouver to undergo annual overhaul and inspection.

O.S.K. LINE AFTER AUSTRALIAN TRADE

Japanese Company Prepared to Suffer Temporary Loss to Compete With N. Y. K.

According to word brought by the Empress of Japan the Osaka Shosen Kaisha has announced that it will continue to operate, even at a temporary loss, its newly-opened line between Japan and Australia. As keen shipping rivalry as ever existed on the Pacific may be expected to follow the action of the O. S. K. directors in setting aside a large sum to establish their Australian trade on a firm basis. It means spirited competition with the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, for many years alone in the field. At the same time the N. Y. K. has strengthened its position by the placing of additional steamers on the Australian run.

Supplanting Germany and Austria, Japan's trade with Australia has greatly developed since the war, resulting in a growing demand for bottoms. A short time ago Zoku Kamrya, Kobe manager of the O. S. K., toured the Antipodes to investigate trade possibilities, and his reports were so encouraging that the O. S. K. opened a new service to Australia in October. The first ship in the new service, the Nanjing Maru, a vessel which previously operated between Kobe and Victoria as an extra carrier, sailed from Yokohama for Australian ports October 17. Little advertised and facing the established business of the N. Y. K., she carried only a small cargo.

The Chosen Maru followed her and the Banyel Maru will sail from Japan this month. The Luson Maru is scheduled to take the January sailing. All these vessels, with the exception of the Banyel Maru, are well known in the Pacific trade.

General Japanese cargo will be carried on the outward trips and on the return voyage to Japan, wool, lead, zinc, zinc ores and miscellaneous Australian products will be handled. The steamers will call at Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide on the outward trip, stopping at these ports and Port Pirie on the homeward voyage. A monthly service is planned for the present, but other ships will be added should the trade warrant it.

That the N. Y. K. is watching its rival's moves may be seen from the fact that it has lately added several steamers to its Australian line. Besides three regular liners, the Nikko Maru, the Tango Maru and the Aki Maru, eight freight boats have been commissioned for the service.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Portland, Ore., Dec. 6.—Arrived: Strs Klamath, Navigator, towing bge Monterey, from San Francisco. Departed: Str Tiverton, for San Francisco.

San Pedro, Dec. 6.—Arrived: Str President, from Seattle, via San Francisco. Sailed: Str Baja California, for west coast ports.

Tacoma, Dec. 6.—Arrived: Str Ide Maru, from Shanghai; str Senator, from Seattle. Sailed: Str Governor, for Seattle.

San Francisco, Dec. 6.—Arrived: Str Cello, from Everett; str Capt. A. F. Lucas, bge No. 95, str D. G. Scofield, from Port Wells; str Northern Pacific, from Astoria; str Daisy, from Aberdeen. Sailed: Strs W. F. Herrin and Breakwater, for Portland; str Phoenix, for Brandon; str Oleum, for Seattle; str Cello, for Seattle; str Richmond, for Honolulu; str John Nagel, for Manzanillo.

Seattle, Dec. 6.—Arrived: Str El Segundo, str Turret Crown, Vancouver, B. C.; str Jefferson, Southeastern Alaska; str City of Seattle, Southeastern Alaska; str Selkirk, Vancouver, B. C.; str Governor, Tacoma; str Morning Star, Vancouver, B. C.; str Fulton, Vancouver, B. C.; str P. R. T. Vancouver, B. C.; str U. S. G. Unalga, Puget Sound navy yard. Sailed: Str Humboldt, Southeastern Alaska; str City of Seattle, Southeastern Alaska; str Senator, Tacoma; str Columbia, Everett; str S. C. G. Unalga, Puget Sound navy yard.

Manila, Nov. 27.—Arrived: U. S. A. T. Dix, from Seattle via Honolulu.

Kahului, Dec. 4.—Arrived: Str Wilmington, from Seattle via Port Angeles.

Arica, Dec. 5.—Arrived: Str Columbia, from San Francisco.

Mollendo, Dec. 5.—Arrived: Str Sinaloa, from Tacoma.

New York, Dec. 6.—Arrived: Str Espagne, from Bordeaux.

Madras, Nov. 27.—Arrived: str Astral, from San Francisco.

Yokohama, Dec. 2.—Arrived: Str Shimpu Maru, from Tacoma.

SHIMBU ON MAIDEN TRIP

R. P. Ribbet & Co., local agents for the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, were advised to-day that the Japanese steamer Shimpu Maru sailed from Yokohama on Dec. 4 and is due at this port on Dec. 22. She carries 200 tons of Oriental freight for Victoria.

The Shimpu Maru is a new vessel and is on her maiden trip across the Pacific. She is preceded by the regular liner Canada Maru, and the extra freighter Itakushima Maru. The former is due here on Dec. 14 with 650 tons of cargo, and the latter on Dec. 21 carrying a similar amount of freight for local delivery.

HOLLAND'S BIG CARGO.

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month of December, 1916:

Sunrise Sunset

Hour Min. Hour Min.

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Dec. 9 7 53 4 19

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Day Steamer to Seattle

LOW ONE MORE LITTLE BELGIAN SUCCUMBED

Story of Death of Lad in
Brussels Through
Starvation

Montreal, Dec. 7.—He was only a
lad of a lad—perhaps 10 years old,
but dwarfed and thin and made even
thinner in appearance by the scanty
clothes he wore. He crawled into the
Belgian Relief depot in Brussels one
night, and without a word, without a
hunger, curled up in a warm corner
and quickly dropped off to sleep.
It was a common sight for the work-
ers of the committee, who face hunger,
illness and death from starvation
daily, and the only remark was:
"Poor little chap. Let him sleep."
Morning came and the work was re-
sumed, for these workers know no rest,
he had still slept. As the soup steam-
ed and bread was prepared one of
the workers went to awaken the little
lad and give him his portion of the
sup—only a pint for a whole day,
but it was too late. Death had claimed
his little fellow, the death that comes
from starvation. Another victim of
the 7,000,000 gone—another victim of
the machinations of the German con-
queror, who has cut off all food sup-
plies except those coming through the
Belgian Relief Committee.
Will the people in Canada who read

this story let these deaths continue?
Undoubtedly they will do their utmost
to stay the march of hunger in de-
vastated Belgium. Those who wish to
help—and that should mean every
Canadian able to spare any sum, no
matter how small—may send their con-
tributions either to the local branch of
the relief committee or direct to the
Belgian Relief Committee, 69 St. Peter
street, Montreal. Contributions were
never needed more than now.

AMERICAN INQUIRY INTO COST OF LIVING

Washington, Dec. 7.—President Wil-
son to-day began a study of the cost
of living reports submitted by govern-
ment departments and from them is
expected to decide what steps he will
recommend to congress.
United States Attorney Anderson, of
Boston, in charge of the nation-wide
inquiry, arrived here, and after
conferences with officials of the depart-
ment of justice conferred with mem-
bers of the federal trade commis-
sion. He later will confer with officials of
the interstate commerce commission. The
plan suggested by Mr. Anderson of
summoning a grand jury in New York,
or Chicago, or both, to investigate the
question thoroughly is believed to be
generally favored in administration
circles.

RADICALS OF GERMANY AND THEIR WAR AIMS

Amsterdam, Dec. 7.—A Berlin dis-
patch says that the war aims of the
German radicals have been set forth
by Professor Karl Doormann, leader of
the radical party in the Reichstag, as
follows:
"We do not reject annexations if our
rulers believe them necessary from a
military or economic standpoint. We
cannot permit the entente to declare
an economic war against us after the
present war. We must get back all our
colonies. Germany must be assured of
her right to exist independently and to
develop as she chooses."

STAGE WAS HELD UP AND DRIVER KILLED

Spokane, Dec. 7.—The stage operat-
ing between Rogerson, Idaho, and Jar-
bridge, Nev., was held up, the driver
killed and the passengers and mail
pouch robbed, according to word re-
ceived here by the post office inspec-
tor's office. Postmaster Fleming, of Jar-
bridge, reported the robbery briefly.
The stage was driven into Jarbridge
by a passenger, according to the mes-
sage. The driver's body was taken into
Jarbridge on the stage.

Mrs. Hiram Offen—Supposing, Brid-
get, I deduct from your wages the cost
of all the dishes you broke? Bridget—
Shure, mum, in that case it's meself 'd
be like the dishes.

GERMANS ATTACKED EAST OF THE MEUSE

Repulsed Save at Some Points
in Advanced Elements
of Trenches

Paris, Dec. 7.—The war office gave
out the following report last night:
"On the Somme field artillery firing
was intense on both sides in the re-
gion of Bouchayennes.
"In Champagne" our artillery took
under its fire and dispersed an enemy
detachment northeast of Fontaine-en-
Dormer.
"On the left bank of the Meuse (Ver-
dun front), German troops after in-
tense artillery preparation, attacked
at 3.30 in the afternoon on a salient of
our lines on the slopes east of Hill 304.
Received by a violent fire from our
machine guns, the enemy was able to
gain a footing only in some advanced
elements."
A Belgian official report issued last
evening said:
"In the evening and during the
course of the night bomb fighting oc-
curred in the region of Dixmude. The
artillery was quite active on both sides
on the Yser front."

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miles off the Canary Islands. Twenty-
two members of the crew were saved.
The Plo IX, laden with cotton, car-
ried no passengers. The steamship
Buenos Ayres, which was in the vicin-
ity, was able to give but slight assist-
ance on account of the high seas.

**Bilious
Headache**

The liver gets sluggish, the bowels constipated and then comes the bilious spell with headache and stomach troubles.

Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills relieve this condition most promptly and thoroughly by reason of their combined action on liver, kidneys and bowels.

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**Dr. Chase's
Kidney-Liver Pills**

northeast of Rocquencourt. Both failed.
We took a few prisoners.
"On the rest of the front, except for
some heavy enemy shelling in the
neighborhood of Eaucourt l'Abbaye
and the Mouquet farm and on our
front north of the Ancre, there were
no events of importance."

EDWARD GURNEY LEFT NEARLY A MILLION

Toronto, Dec. 7.—The will of the late
Edward Gurney disposes of an estate
valued at \$817,803. The executors are
his sons, W. C. and Ed. H. Gurney, and
Wm. T. Isaac, of Boston. The estate is
made up of stock in the Gurney Found-
ry, of Toronto, the Gurney Heater Co.,
of Boston, and the Gurney Northwest
Foundry Co., of Winnipeg, a total of
\$629,650; and in life insurance \$95,049;
in his residence and personal property,
\$75,000, and other assets, \$18,104. To
the widow, \$20,000 per annum, is left
and use of the residence for life. Un-
til January 1, 1922, the two sons and
three daughters, one daughter being
Mrs. Sanford Evans, of Winnipeg, will
get \$5,000 each per annum. After that
date one twenty-fifth of the testator's
shares in the Toronto and Boston
foundries will go to F. F. Stainer, the
testator's brother-in-law and the rest
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The bus had stopped near a London
hospital, and several wounded soldiers
climbed on to the top of the bus. The
girl collector came inside for fares, and
a gentleman said to her, "Here's half
a crown; take for those wounded sol-
diers—I'll pay for them." But the con-
ductor hesitated, and said that it was
quite "all right," and did not take any
extra money beyond the passenger's
fare. The passenger, indignant at her
refusal, insisted on paying, and asked
her why she did not take the money.
"Well, you see," she said, as she quiet-
ly went on with her work, "I always
like to pay for the wounded soldiers
myself—it's the least I can do for the
poor boys."—London Chronicle.

FELT LIKE A NEW PERSON

After Taking Only One Box of
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"East Ship Harbour, N. S.
"It is with great pleasure that I
write to tell you of the wonderful ben-
efits I have received from taking
"Fruit-a-lives." For years, I was a
dreadful sufferer from Constipation
and Headaches, and I was miserable
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of medicines seemed to help me. Then
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effect was splendid. After taking
one box, I feel like a new person, to
have relief from those sickening head-
aches."
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At all dealers or sent postpaid by
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was Henry Phillpotts, who held the
bishopric from 1839 to 1863, and whose
personal idiosyncrasies and force of
character caused him to be known in
the history of "Harry's Eccles." Dr.
Phillpotts lived in a beautiful villa near
Torquay, where a somewhat gushing
lady once called upon him. "What a
lovely spot this is, bishop!" exclaimed
his visitor. "It is so Swiss." "Yes,
ma'am," replied the bishop, "it is very
Swiss; only there is no sea in Switzer-
land, and there are no mountains here!"
—London Chronicle.

Quite apart from historical associa-
tions, no better spot could have been
selected at Westminster Abbey than the
Wolfe Memorial on which to lay
the colors of the Canadian regiments
while they are at the front. Being
colossal, the monument gives ample
accommodation for the ever-growing
pile of flags, and being a particularly
hideous specimen of one of the worst
periods of British sculpture, the less
seen of it the better. When it was
erected in 1712 the dean and chapter
proposed to remove the beautiful
monument to Andomar de Valence,
cousin of Edward I, in order to make
room for the cumbersome memorial, but
Horace Walpole successfully protested
against the violation. The Wolfe Monu-
ment, by the way, is not a tomb. The
hero's remains lie at Greenwich.—Lon-
don Chronicle.

"You must remember, my boy, that
wealth does not bring happiness." "I
don't expect it to. I merely want it so
that I may be able to choose the kind
of misery that is most agreeable to
me."



A Trained Nurse Writes

"I am a trained nurse and have been using Crisco
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been received during the past four years by
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ing, pastry-making, frying—wherever you are
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Assayer's Report

Nine samples taken of the ore are as follows:

	Silver Per cent	Copper Per Cent
Tunnel	3.20	4.6
Tunnel	3.60	6.5
Tunnel	1.20	6.0
Tunnel	2.00	6.1
2nd cross-cut	4.16	7.3
2nd cross-cut	3.60	3.4
2nd cross-cut	3.00	6.1
2nd cross-cut	4.00	7.0
Dump	4.20	5.7

or a general average of 5.65 per cent, copper and 3.21 per cent, silver.

The Future Outlook

The present high price of metals will, in the opin-
ion of many experts, maintain for a considerable time
after the war is over; in any event there seems to be
no question that at least 20 cent copper will be the pre-
vailing price for many years.

599,995 fully paid up and non-assessable shares have been placed with H. E. A. Courtney as Trustee for the use of the company, and 200,000 of these are now offered at 25-cents per share, fully paid and non-assessable. Full information, prospectus and subscription blanks can be obtained at the company's office, 232 Pemberton Building, or from the following brokers:

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The production from metalliferous mining in British Columbia for the year 1915 was \$20,762,149. The production for 1916 has been estimated to exceed \$40,000,000.

Extract From the Report of the Minister of Mines, 1915

Copper-mining is now the most important form of mining in the Province, and this year is practically equalled in value the entire total value of other lode minerals produced, and exceeded considerably, the value of the coal and coke production. It forms 47% of the total mineral production. In the working of the large low-grade copper deposits and the subsequent smelting of the ores produced, a great number of men are employed and a large proportion of the money value is retained in the country and in the payment of wages and purchase of supplies."

Progress of Development

The surface work that has been done on the property exposes a body of ore bearing material in a sheared zone having an approximate width of 15 feet over a length of 500 feet; of this material 5 feet to 8 feet may be considered ore that will average 5 per cent, copper and 3 oz. in silver, equal, at the present price of metals, to \$27.83 per ton gross, or with mining, shipping and smelting charges deducted, \$21.08 net.

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PIANOS, almost new, some splendid bargains. Magnet Auction Rooms, corner Douglas and Fort.

DOMINION PATENT JUST ISSUED. Household requisites, wanted everywhere. Hydro Co., 197 Grove street, Oakland, Cal.

FOR SALE—Wrist watches, 1.50; gold, 2.50; silver, 1.50; 100% gold, 3.50; 100% silver, 2.50; 100% gold, 4.50; 100% silver, 3.50; 100% gold, 5.50; 100% silver, 4.50; 100% gold, 6.50; 100% silver, 5.50; 100% gold, 7.50; 100% silver, 6.50; 100% gold, 8.50; 100% silver, 7.50; 100% gold, 9.50; 100% silver, 8.50; 100% gold, 10.50; 100% silver, 9.50; 100% gold, 11.50; 100% silver, 10.50; 100% gold, 12.50; 100% silver, 11.50; 100% gold, 13.50; 100% silver, 12.50; 100% gold, 14.50; 100% silver, 13.50; 100% gold, 15.50; 100% silver, 14.50; 100% gold, 16.50; 100% silver, 15.50; 100% gold, 17.50; 100% silver, 16.50; 100% gold, 18.50; 100% silver, 17.50; 100% gold, 19.50; 100% silver, 18.50; 100% gold, 20.50; 100% silver, 19.50; 100% gold, 21.50; 100% silver, 20.50; 100% gold, 22.50; 100% silver, 21.50; 100% gold, 23.50; 100% silver, 22.50; 100% gold, 24.50; 100% silver, 23.50; 100% gold, 25.50; 100% silver, 24.50; 100% gold, 26.50; 100% silver, 25.50; 100% gold, 27.50; 100% silver, 26.50; 100% gold, 28.50; 100% silver, 27.50; 100% gold, 29.50; 100% silver, 28.50; 100% gold, 30.50; 100% silver, 29.50; 100% gold, 31.50; 100% silver, 30.50; 100% gold, 32.50; 100% silver, 31.50; 100% gold, 33.50; 100% silver, 32.50; 100% gold, 34.50; 100% silver, 33.50; 100% gold, 35.50; 100% silver, 34.50; 100% gold, 36.50; 100% silver, 35.50; 100% gold, 37.50; 100% silver, 36.50; 100% gold, 38.50; 100% silver, 37.50; 100% gold, 39.50; 100% silver, 38.50; 100% gold, 40.50; 100% silver, 39.50; 100% gold, 41.50; 100% silver, 40.50; 100% gold, 42.50; 100% silver, 41.50; 100% gold, 43.50; 100% silver, 42.50; 100% gold, 44.50; 100% silver, 43.50; 100% gold, 45.50; 100% silver, 44.50; 100% gold, 46.50; 100% silver, 45.50; 100% gold, 47.50; 100% silver, 46.50; 100% gold, 48.50; 100% silver, 47.50; 100% gold, 49.50; 100% silver, 48.50; 100% gold, 50.50; 100% silver, 49.50; 100% gold, 51.50; 100% silver, 50.50; 100% gold, 52.50; 100% silver, 51.50; 100% gold, 53.50; 100% silver, 52.50; 100% gold, 54.50; 100% silver, 53.50; 100% gold, 55.50; 100% silver, 54.50; 100% gold, 56.50; 100% silver, 55.50; 100% gold, 57.50; 100% silver, 56.50; 100% gold, 58.50; 100% silver, 57.50; 100% gold, 59.50; 100% silver, 58.50; 100% gold, 60.50; 100% silver, 59.50; 100% gold, 61.50; 100% silver, 60.50; 100% gold, 62.50; 100% silver, 61.50; 100% gold, 63.50; 100% silver, 62.50; 100% gold, 64.50; 100% silver, 63.50; 100% gold, 65.50; 100% silver, 64.50; 100% gold, 66.50; 100% silver, 65.50; 100% gold, 67.50; 100% silver, 66.50; 100% gold, 68.50; 100% silver, 67.50; 100% gold, 69.50; 100% silver, 68.50; 100% gold, 70.50; 100% silver, 69.50; 100% gold, 71.50; 100% silver, 70.50; 100% gold, 72.50; 100% silver, 71.50; 100% gold, 73.50; 100% silver, 72.50; 100% gold, 74.50; 100% silver, 73.50; 100% gold, 75.50; 100% silver, 74.50; 100% gold, 76.50; 100% silver, 75.50; 100% gold, 77.50; 100% silver, 76.50; 100% gold, 78.50; 100% silver, 77.50; 100% gold, 79.50; 100% silver, 78.50; 100% gold, 80.50; 100% silver, 79.50; 100% gold, 81.50; 100% silver, 80.50; 100% gold, 82.50; 100% silver, 81.50; 100% gold, 83.50; 100% silver, 82.50; 100% gold, 84.50; 100% silver, 83.50; 100% gold, 85.50; 100% silver, 84.50; 100% gold, 86.50; 100% silver, 85.50; 100% gold, 87.50; 100% silver, 86.50; 100% gold, 88.50; 100% silver, 87.50; 100% gold, 89.50; 100% silver, 88.50; 100% gold, 90.50; 100% silver, 89.50; 100% gold, 91.50; 100% silver, 90.50; 100% gold, 92.50; 100% silver, 91.50; 100% gold, 93.50; 100% silver, 92.50;

Answers to Times Want Ads.

The following replies are waiting to be called for:

84, 48, 82, 84, 137, 173, 211, 265, 291, 350, 380, 408, 414, 424, 461, 485, 610, 621, 622, 674, 686, 688.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

DIGGONISMS.—When a reverend gentleman tried to make a speech in a Montserrat church meeting, he was told to "go home." Had it been a council meeting he would probably have been told to go elsewhere. Diggon Printing Co., 716 Yates street. Wonderful assortment of Christmas notepaper—the proper thing for gifts.

CHRISTMAS PAPERS now on sale by T. N. Hibben & Co.

THE UMBRELLA SHOP has removed to 1411 Douglas. Covering and repairs. Waites & Knappell. Phone 3489.

NEW EDITION COMMON PRAYER, 18th and specially revised Canada. Prices ranging from 65c. to \$2.50 each. T. N. Hibben & Co.

WHY GO HOME TO EAT when you can get a nice, tasty lunch of four courses at the Vernon Cafe for 25c? Try it one day and you will keep on trying it. Tables for ladies.

FOR SALE—Good dry cordwood, 12 and 16 in. blocks, delivered, \$5.50. D. Lewis, 407R.

PING-PONG RACKETS AND BALLS. Hibben & Co.

GREAT VARIETY of new fiction. T. N. Hibben & Co.

SPECIAL RATE.—We have 3 cozy vacant rooms for \$5 per month; steam heated and hot water. Prince George Hotel, Douglas St.

WANTED—Six-room house, James Bay, with two good lots Oak Bay, near water, assume mortgage, or pay some cash. Currie & Power, 1214 Douglas St. Phone 1404.

LOOK—1-1/2 acres, good 8-room house, garden and orchard, on 11-mile circle, with car line, \$1,750. Currie & Power, 1214 Douglas St. Phone 1404.

GOOD INVESTMENT.—Five houses in good repair, well rented, will show over 7 per cent. net to owner, price \$5,000, terms cash. Currie & Power, 1214 Douglas St. Phone 1404.

LADIES' PROGRESSIVE CLUB will hold a sale of work at the New Thought Temple, corner Blanshard and Pandora, Friday, Dec. 8, afternoon and evening. Dancing from 8.30. Evening admission 25c.

DOLL BUGGIES and boys' wagons, new shipment, prices reasonable. Waites & Knappell, 1411 Douglas, near Johnson. 43

SOCKS, helmets, knee-caps and mitts for soldiers, reasonably priced. 715 Yates street. 412

FARALL'S SODA WATER is absolutely pure, best for children and deliciously refreshing. Phone 212. 41

FOR SALE—Cottage, 2 rooms, with large lot 50x150, Fourth street, cheap to close an estate; price \$650. L. U. Conyers & Co., 620 View street. 47

PIANO BARGAINS.—Real ones, \$125 and up for cabinet grand; our reducing stock is the talk of the city. Last week eight happy homes were added to our long list. English and Canadian pianos, new and slightly used, on easy terms, all guaranteed; some the best in the land, at one-half regular values. Others at buying, why not? \$125 up. The time is now. The place is 715 Yates St. Montclair Piano House, Limited. 43

WANTED—Native Sons of B. C. Any Native Son over the age of 16, out of employment, please communicate with the recording secretary of Post No. 1, P. O. Box 114, stating place of birth and class of employment sought. 423

HOCKING, James Bay plumber, Rangas connected, calls made. Phone 3711. 413

FOR RENT—Small furnished house, Apply mornings and evenings. Rent \$5. 1521 Jubilee avenue. 49

TO LET—Furnished, two large house-keeping rooms, \$10. 1418 Fernwood Rd. 49

YOUNG MAN wants room, partial board, vicinity of Hillside and Blackwood. Box 755, Times. 49

EXPERIENCED GOVERNMENT, will be discharged in January; salary \$50. Box 754, Times. 49

CHRISTMAS TREES, 25c to 75c. 505 Courtenay street. Phone 2991. 47

WANTED—By a middle-aged man, in bad circumstances, cast off winter clothing, socks and underwear, size 42 inches, height 5 ft. 10 in. Please make up parcels and phone 4734. Mr. Messenger service will call. 47

PERIER'S SECOND-HAND STORE.—Magnificent brass bed, cost \$125, selling at \$60, quite new. 1419 Douglas St. 49

I WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE for any debts contracted by my wife, Mrs. Peter Johnson, T. Johnson. 429

FOR SALE—Modern, up-to-date bungalow, 5 rooms, good basement and furnace, Oak Bay district; sacrifice price \$2,000, reasonable terms. L. U. Conyers & Co., 620 View street. 49

NOTICE TO HUNTERS.—An excellent mixed bag may be had for 15c at Hamsterley Farm Station, Public Market. It contains butterscotch and Wagon McGregor tablets, both most wholesome and delicious. 413

LOST—Pair gold rim glasses. Finder please return to Times Office. 49

GARDENING—Gardens made and kept up, lots cleared, lawns mowed, cellars cleaned, tiles laid and cement walks; contract or day work; trees pruned and sprayed. Ng Hop, P. O. Box 865. 47

WILL PAY \$100 CASH for good second-hand piano. Box 711, Times. 49

FOR SALE—High-class top Pomeranian, full pedigree. Apply 2341 Fort Street. Phone 241R. 49

PUBLIC NOTICE.—The Returned Soldiers' Auto Association, Victoria, will not be responsible for any debts unless orders bear the signature of P. Miller, secretary, and Joseph Food, treasurer. (Signed) P. Miller, Joseph Food, Returned Soldiers' Jiney Association. 47

YOUR OPPORTUNITY.—24-inch gent's Perfect, little used, cost \$45, yours for \$18. Ruffie, the cycle man, 746 Yates street. Phone 862. 47

DELTA ELECTRIC CYCLE LAMPS only \$2.50; all lamps, \$1; lamp oil in bottles, cans or bulk; go-cycles for the kiddies, \$1.75 and \$2.25; Rambler bicycles, only \$35, any size, ladies' or gents'. Plimley's Cycle Store, 611 View street. 47

TO RENT—Fairfield, eight-room, furnished house, modern close to car, sea and park; low rent to responsible tenants. Apply Telephone 4287. 413

SEWING MACHINES—Singer drop-head from \$16 to \$25. Bargain House, 1500 Douglas street. 47

SEWING MACHINE—New Home drop-head, Standard drop-head, from \$5 to \$28. 1600 Douglas street. 47

SEWING MACHINES selling fast. Look in before Saturday. The Bargain House. 47

SEE FINE STOCK of used machines. The Bargain House, 1600 Douglas St. 47

Personal

Walter Jones, of Ladysmith, is at the Dominion hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee and family, of Koksilah, are registered at the Dominion hotel.

Mrs. G. Stelly is down from Cowichan Lake and is a guest of the Dominion hotel.

F. C. Gamble, chief engineer of the provincial department of railways, went over to Vancouver last night and will be away for some days on departmental business.

Hon. J. D. MacLean, provincial secretary and minister of education, left this afternoon for Greenwood to make arrangements for the removal of his family to the capital.

A quiet wedding took place at St. John's church on Tuesday at 7.30 p. m., when Rev. F. A. E. Chadwick united in marriage, Frances Mary, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Norrish, and Mr. Frank McHugh of this city. After the ceremony an informal reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, 2615 Rose street, where many friends gathered to wish the young couple happiness. The bride was prettily dressed in white silk, and was attended by her sister, Miss Helen Norrish, and little Helen Bolt, a flower girl. Mr. Herbert Graham supported the groom. The many handsome presents testified to the popularity of the young couple. Mr. and Mrs. McHugh will reside at 2615 Fifth street, Victoria.

LOCAL NEWS

Rapid Dual Balance Books—Loose-Leaf Ledgers, at Sweeney-McConnell, Ltd., 1012 Langley Street.

Guaranteed by Haynes—Means Haynes wants you to return your watch to him, if it is not absolutely satisfactory, after he has repaired it.

Send Your Soldier a Photo for Xmas. It is the only thing he cannot buy for himself. Specially priced Sepia portraits at the Skene Lowe Studio, 654 Yates St.

Military Night.—By kind permission of Lieut.-Col. Powley, of the 143rd Battalion, C. E. F., and of Lieut.-Col. Forsyth, of the Gordon Highlanders, the band of the 143rd Battalion and the pipers of the 50th Gordon Highlanders will assist the band of the 5th Regiment, C. G. A., in their concert next Sunday evening in the Royal Victoria theatre commencing at 8.45 p. m. The opening number, "O Canada," and the opening march will be played by the massed bands of the 5th Regiment and 143rd Battalion, and later on the band of the 143rd and the pipers of the 50th Gordon Highlanders will play their respective regimental marches. Mrs. R. H. Pooley and Miss Lillian Hargarty have kindly consented to sing, and Mrs. A. J. Gibson will act as accompanist during the evening. The grand military tattoo, composed by Lieut. Mackenzie Crogan, will be one of the special features of the programme.

Broke a Window.—William Newman, who broke a window at the W.C.T.U. mission, Store street, while under the influence of liquor, was ordered in the police court this morning to pay the cost of the damage, and also the usual fine.

Escapes Sentence.—John Clancy, well known to the police, appeared in court to-day on a charge of begging. While he escaped a sentence this time, the magistrate expressed the opinion that he would soon be back in the dock.

Blue Cross Fund.—The committee of the Blue Cross fund is asking for assistance in collecting broken gold or silver articles. A notice appeared in the paper recently in England for a patriotic purpose, the pieces were auctioned and a sum of \$5,000 was obtained. Those who wish to help in a good cause at very little trouble to themselves are asked to kindly gather together any fragments such as broken bracelets, pins, brooches, spoons, buckles, tops of bottles, etc. Such small pieces of gold and silver, while practically of no use to the owners, can be disposed of in a quantity to dealers and arrangements will be made as far as possible to collect these between Christmas and New Year. The work of collecting, however, would be greatly facilitated if those friends who are willing to do so will leave their donations at the Blue Cross room, Belmont block, or will notify some member of the committee. The Blue Cross telephone number is 4960.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

THE LADIES of James Bay Methodist church wish to thank all friends who gave donations toward the recent bazaar.

WANTED—Well furnished, modern bungalow, neighborhood Fort and Cook streets, for winter or longer. H. A. Dibble, 420 Hibben-Bone Bldg. Phone 2709.

WANTED—Girls to work in laundry; experience not necessary. Victoria Steam Laundry.

BORN

FORD—At Colquitz, B. C., on Dec. 5, to Mr. and Mrs. George A. Ford, a daughter.

DIED

KNIGHTS—On the 5th inst., at St. Joseph's Hospital, Oliver, James Knights, aged 76 years, a native of London, Eng., and a resident of Victoria for the past 15 years. The remains are resting at the Thompson Funeral Chapel, from where the funeral will take place on Saturday, Dec. 9, at 2.30. Rev. E. G. Miller will officiate. The funeral will be under the auspices of Victoria Lodge, No. 1, I. O. O. F., and the Sons of England. Funeral by motor. Friends kindly accept this intimation.

IN MEMORIAM

BRAYSHAW—In loving memory of my beloved wife, J. F. Brayshaw, who departed from this life at Cardiff, South Wales, Dec. 7, 1916. T. M. Brayshaw.

ESQUIMALT RECOUNT COMMENCED TO-DAY

A. W. McCurdy's Protest Against Method of Taking Soldiers' Vote

TENDERS RESIGNATION AS MEMBER FOR RIDING

A surprise was sung this morning at the opening of the Esquimalt recount before Judge Lampman in the county court room. His honor had taken his seat with the clerk, A. M. D. Fairbairn, and there were present R. H. Pooley, the unsuccessful candidate; Ernest Miller, his counsel, and F. J. Stacpoole, K.C., and several others, when J. C. McIntosh handed in copies of the two following letters written by A. W. McCurdy, M.P.P., to Premier Brewster. The letters were read and received with interest. Mr. Miller remarked that they were sent in too late, and Judge Lampman said that he thought they were too early. The recount then commenced, and Mr. McIntosh, who is agent for Mr. McCurdy, withdrew. Mr. McCurdy was not present in the court. The following are the letters:

Dec. 6, 1916.
Hon. H. C. Brewster, Premier British Columbia, Victoria, B. C.

Dear Mr. Brewster, In tendering you my resignation as a member of the Legislative Assembly I do so as a protest against the method of taking the soldiers' vote, which, as near as can be ascertained from information available at the present time, has resulted in the elimination of probably 15,000 votes, a number so great as to warrant an application to void the whole election.

To undertake to prove the above statement by due process of law, either under the guise of a recount or otherwise, would involve great expense and would postpone the date for a final decision for an indefinite time—months, or perhaps even years—as the matter could be carried from court to court until judgment was finally arrived at before the privy council, and I prefer to appeal to the court of last resort—the people themselves—in the first instance.

The people want to know. They want the services of their representatives now, and if you will call for an immediate election you will find that a result can be reached without delay satisfactory to all parties and at a minimum of expense.

Very truly yours,
ARTHUR W. MCCURDY.

Dec. 6, 1916.
Hon. H. C. Brewster, Premier British Columbia, Victoria, B. C., and Malcolm A. Macdonald, Attorney General.

Dear Sirs, Upon November 24, 1916, I received the following certificate of election as a member of the Legislative Assembly for Esquimalt:

"Provincial Secretary, Province of British Columbia, Victoria."

"To A. W. McCurdy, Esq., M.L.A., 320 Pemberton Building, Victoria."

"I do hereby certify that, pursuant to the writ of election dated the 5th day of July, 1916, under the provisions of the Provincial Elections Act and the Military Forces Act, a poll was held within the Esquimalt electoral district, at certain points in Canada, and in the United Kingdom and France, to elect one member to serve in the Legislative Assembly for the Esquimalt electoral district, and that the electors have chosen you as a member to represent the said district."

"Dated this twenty-fourth day of November, 1916."

(Signed) "A. CAMPBELL REDDIE, Deputy Provincial Secretary."

After mature consideration, and as a protest against a method for taking the soldiers' vote overseas, which has resulted in eliminating practically two-thirds of the votes of British Columbia soldiers serving abroad, I hereby beg to resign, and do resign my seat as the member to serve in the Legislative Assembly for the Esquimalt electoral district.

Very truly yours,
ARTHUR W. MCCURDY.

Good progress was made with the recount without any startling changes of any kind being made. Up to 1 o'clock most of the votes that are here had been counted, and nine votes are held back for argument by counsel. Three of these seem to be marked for A. W. McCurdy and six for R. H. Pooley, but whether any of them will be allowed by the court remains to be seen.

The recount is continuing this afternoon, and as soon as all the ballots which are undisputed have been passed upon those which have been set aside will be discussed and his honor will decide what to do with them.

ROTARY DINNER

Big Event to Take Place To-night at Empress Hotel.

The Rotary Club will hold its annual dinner this evening in the Empress hotel. The event will be notable in that the wives of the members will be present. P. C. Abell will preside and practically all the members will be present.

Speeches will be made by Hon. H. C. Brewster, President Abell and Honorary President James Hunter, and there will be music by the choir and solos by Miss Rita Gardner, James Hunter and others, cornet solo by J. H. Beatty, a number of Rotary stunts, and gramophone selections. H. M. Diggon will also do a few card tricks.

COMPENSATION BOARD UNDER CONSIDERATION

Host of Applicants for the Three Positions on Most Important Body

The premier has been kept busy all day with callers and deputations on one matter or another. This afternoon he has a deputation of letter carriers, headed by Christian Sivertz, relating to labor matters.

Another afternoon deputation comes from Vancouver, with the object of "boosting" for J. H. McVety as a member of the workmen's compensation commission. Mr. McVety was one of the three commissioners who were appointed by the late premier to go over the work done by the royal commission on labor so far as compensation to injured workmen was concerned.

It was hinted in these columns, as elsewhere, during the time the premier was considering his cabinet that he had an abundance of material from which to choose the men who should be his colleagues as advisers of the king. His choice in that was nothing to what he has in the shoal of applications for appointment to the workmen's commission. He and other ministers have simply been deluged with applications and recommendations, and if he could have formed four or five cabinets from the material he had among his supporters in the new legislature he can constitute a dozen compensation commissions of three men out of the material he has before him.

In some cases very strenuously placed and kept before him. Compensation without litigation is a policy which the Liberal party has had in its platform for years, and which was borrowed, to put it that way, by the late government as a vote catcher when it found that its hold on the people was getting precarious. It has happened in the fortunes of politics that the party which, without solicitation, placed this reform in its platform has the duty of putting it into force.

The public at large, and especially the employing public which will have to pay the bill and the army of workmen which is to receive consideration at last, may rest assured that the commission, when it is appointed, will be one which will command the respect and confidence of all parties. The executive is dealing with the matter carefully, and with the one aim of securing the best men for the very important and onerous duties which will fall to them. The qualifications of every man are being canvassed with the most scrupulous regard to the success of the commission and the carrying out of the intentions of the legislature, and whoever the appointees are there is not a doubt that they will be men in whom the duties of this most important tribunal can be reposed.

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SETTLERS' RIGHTS TO BE DEALT WITH

Executive Asked to Make Instructions Broad and Extending to 1887

Parker Williams, M.P.P., and J. H. Hawthorthwaite, for many years a member of the House, yesterday afternoon had an interview with Hon. H. C. Brewster, Hon. William Sloan and Hon. M. A. Macdonald, in reference to that perennial issue on Vancouver Island, the rights of the original settlers in the area which afterwards was given to the E. & N. Railway Company as a grant in aid of the construction of the line which now connects the capital city with the northern part of the island.

During the time of the Bowser government a royal commission was appointed to go into the matter of the settlers' rights, and Mr. Justice Gregory, of the supreme court, was named as the commissioner. No instructions were ever given to his lordship as to what the scope of his proposed inquiry was to be, and some were even formulated or even considered by the cabinet.

The object of the deputation, which was most cordially received, was to ask that definite instructions be prepared and forwarded to the commissioner, and that an early start be made with the inquiry. The government is asked to make the inquiry a broad one in its scope, and covering all rights enjoyed by those in occupation of the land up to 1887.

This matter will be taken up by the executive, and whatever the line of instruction issued to the commissioner it is understood that no time will be lost in dealing with this long-pending matter.

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FRUIT PACKING CASE COMMENCED TO-DAY

Charges Are Laid by Dominion
Officials; Adjournment
Till Monday

Two apple boxes on the press table in the city court to-day formed exhibits in an important case under the Inspection and Sale Act.

James Simpson, 41 Superior street, the well-known florist and seedman, is charged by the Dominion officials with two breaches of the part of the act dealing with fruit and fruit marks. The section under which proceedings are taken is 321, it being alleged that the boxes contain defective apples considerably in excess of the ten per cent. allowed by the section.

The prosecution, however, did not proceed to-day, because when the first charge was called Mr. Simpson applied for an opportunity to secure legal advice, stating that the summons had been served only the previous evening. "There is a great deal to be said on this case," he explained to the bench. "I think this is a persecution, not a prosecution."

The magistrate granted a remand till Monday. Inspector Henry Callow, coming forward, said to his honor: "Mr. Simpson has had plenty of time to prepare a defence. He knew he was going to be prosecuted a month ago, and the only cause of delay was that the chief inspector in Vancouver desired a reply from Ottawa. There has also developed a case from November 22, and authority for a summons in each case has been given." Inspector Callow went on to explain that much correspondence on the question of his fruit had passed between the inspectors and the defendant, and that the latter was fully aware of warnings that he would be proceeded against if conditions complained of in the letters were not remedied.

The magistrate said he would not go into the question yet.

Defendant expressed a desire to make a statement on the matter. However, after the second information, for the alleged offence on November 22, had been read, the two cases were adjourned till Monday.

MEN RETURN TO-DAY

Fourteen Soldiers Come Back After
Seeing Service at Front

The following returned soldiers came in on the afternoon boat from Vancouver to-day: Sgts. W. Watson and C. Meyer; Ptes. McCarter, W. Williams, H. Colbrook, J. Young, J. Ritchie, A. McCallum, Chapman, Bryson, Mee, Barnes, Gagen and Driver Forsythe.

Representatives of the Welcome Club and the Cheering Club met the men at the boat, many of the personal friends of the men also being at the wharf to greet them.

CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—The following casualties were announced to-day:

Killed in action: Pte. A. D. Hamacher, Plattsburgh, Ont.; Pte. W. G. Light, Port Hope, Ont.; Pte. D. H. Munroe, Appleton, Ont.; Pte. W. J. Hurlston, Punnichy, Sask.; Pte. J. H. Myers, Brayson Mines, Alta.; Pte. R. T. Perry, Pergus, Ont.; Pte. O. G. Washington, D. C.; Pte. A. Schelling, United States; Pte. R. J. Stocks, Creston, B. C.; Pte. W. Thomas, Toronto; Pte. H. J. Villard, Glenora, Man.

Dead of wounds: Pte. J. Barraud, France; Pte. H. Bryant, England.

Previously reported missing: now officially reported killed in action: Pte. J. McInnis, Fort William; Pte. G. F. Stone, Petrolia, Ont.

RUSSIAN SAILING VESSEL SENT DOWN

London, Dec. 7.—Lloyd's shipping agency announces the sinking of the Russian sailing vessel *Amia*.

Consistory to-day.

Rome, Dec. 7.—Pope Benedict held a consistory to-day in the Hall of Beatitudes above the Atrium of St. Peter's in the presence of several thousand persons. The pope blessed the kneeling assemblage.

MONTREAL BANK CLEARINGS.

Montreal, Dec. 7.—The bank clearings here for the week ended to-day were \$90,396,773. For the corresponding week last year the clearings were \$65,841,716.

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BORDEN APPEALS TO CANADA'S PATRIOTISM

Address at Montreal; Organized
Interruption of Bennett and Patenaude

Montreal, Dec. 7.—In his speech at the Monument Nationale last night Sir Robert Borden referred to the justice of the cause of the allies, the patriotism and suffering of the French and Belgians, and the splendid response of all the overseas dominions to the call to take part in the great war.

"I point with pride and gratitude to the fact that during a little more than two years nearly 400,000 Canadians have responded to the call of duty; more than 150,000 have seen service at the front, and more than 100,000 of them are now in the fighting line," he declared.

It was the first speech of a series Sir Robert has mapped out, which has taken him to Quebec city for this evening, and will take him as far west as Victoria, B. C., before he concludes his object being to make clearer the people's realization of the need of every effort being put forth by Canada to assist in winning the war. He is accompanied by R. B. Bennett, M. P., chairman of the National Service Commission.

Sir Robert emphasized the point that victory depends on the thorough organization of the national strength of Canada, as well as of that of Great Britain and the other allies, and said: "The government has determined that an estimate shall be made of the manpower of Canada, and the Board of National Service, created for this purpose, will place before the people in the immediate future the mean by which that estimate can be effectually made."

Most important. So important is this work regarded, Sir Robert said, that he had abandoned for a few weeks duties of great urgency in order to urge upon the people of the Dominion the need of organization. He proceeded:

"So the director-general and the Board of National Service and their present duty to estimate the human energy of Canada, and to have that estimate accompanied by such information as will enable each man to render to the state that service which he will be best qualified to give, and which is of most value to his country. But in the end reliance must be placed upon the appreciation by the people of the need and their conception of the duty which lies at their door."

"The information which it is desired to tabulate is set forth in a card, embodying 24 questions, and it is hoped the answers to these questions will prove to be the information those appointed to receive them require."

Sir Robert announced that the answers would be expected to be sent in during the first week in the new year. "Let that week be dedicated by the people of Canada to the national service of the country," he said, and added that he hoped the people of the Dominion would then give full consideration to their duties.

Organized Interruption.

The appearance of Mr. Bennett, who followed Hon. E. L. Patenaude, was the signal for a resumption of the organized interruptions from the gallery which had occurred during Mr. Patenaude's address. These became so boisterous that the chairman intervened with a warning that order must be maintained. Mr. Bennett was interrupted in his opening remark that his was not a political speech. Parts of his address were inaudible.

HUGHES DOES NOT EXPECT AN IMPERIAL CONFERENCE

London, Dec. 7.—A cable to the Times from Sydney, N. S. W., says: "Mr. Hughes, prime minister of Australia, while expressing no opinion on the desirability of holding an imperial conference during the first half of next year, doubts the practicability of a gathering of the prime ministers in London. Personally he cannot discern any prospect of being able to visit London, unless for some exceptional purpose such as the peace conference."

SIR WILLIAM MACKENZIE IS COMING TO COAST

Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—Sir William Mackenzie, president of the Canadian Northern Railway, arrived in Winnipeg this morning en route to Vancouver. He was engaged all forenoon with officials of the Canadian Northern Railway and the street railway company.

To a reporter he said that extension of several lines in the west had to be deferred on account of the war, but he hoped that by next summer some of them at least could be proceeded with, but that was a matter of the future.

Sir William will leave to-morrow for the coast with General Manager McLeod.

GERMAN STATEMENT ABOUT EAST FRONT

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"West of Zalosse and Tarnopol (Galicia) our troops were able to deliver 30 prisoners from one part of a captured Russian line and 27 from another."

Success. Contending that the message signed "Walter" was in code, John Preston, United States district attorney, translated it to read: "I have failed. Shall I go to Victoria and try to accomplish something there?"

Mr. Preston said it referred to Smith's failure to plant a bomb aboard the Japanese steamship *Katfuku Maru*, carrying munitions of war to Russia.

Jack Enghel, agent of property at 2210 North Ferdinand street, Tacoma, which Smith, he said, had rented under the name of Brown, testified that his tenant later had admitted his name was Smith and that he had assumed the name "in order to lead a quiet life."

London, Dec. 7.—The king has invested with the Military Cross Major W. Mavor, Lieut. S. G. Clarke and Lieut. A. Evans.

BIG STEEL PLANT SOON AT EBURNE

Calgary Capitalists Will Establish One; Will Employ Over
300 Men

Vancouver, Dec. 7.—Vancouver, or perhaps it would be more correct to say the district surrounding the city, is to have another large industry in the shape of a steel plant which probably will be located in Eburne, Point Grey. For the past three weeks representatives of the new company have been in the city and it was only last night that their arrangements were completed for the starting of the industry. In about another three weeks it is anticipated engineers will be on the spot from Calgary and the first steps will be taken toward founding the Vancouver steel works at an initial cost of about \$250,000.

Financial men from Calgary who have years of experience in this class of work are at present engaged in taking, which will give employment to between 300 and 400 men. They include such men as W. H. McLaws, president of the Canadian Western Steel company at Red Cliff, Alta., and of the Alberta Rolling Mills at Medicine Hat, and G. A. Mackenzie, managing director of both these companies. Mr. McLaws and Mr. Mackenzie have been in the city for some time and it was only to-day that the last named was in a position to make a definite statement regarding the organization and the proposed operations.

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MANUFACTURERS OF CANADA TO BENEFIT

Session of Scientific and Industrial
Research Council
Ends To-day

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—It is expected that the advisory council on scientific and industrial research, which has been in session here this week, will conclude its sittings this afternoon, when an official statement as to the result of its deliberations will be issued.

The council is expected to work out a plan under which laboratories throughout the country will improve chemical processes in the interest of industrial development. It is hoped that as the result of the labors of the national council and the work to be inaugurated in the laboratories many chemical processes will be developed which will make Canadian manufacturers less dependent upon other countries in the future than in the past.

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TWELVE MEMBERS IN NEW CABINET

That Reported to Be Lloyd
George's Desire; Small
War Council

London, Dec. 7.—It is understood Rt. Hon. David Lloyd George is aiming at a cabinet of twelve members, five of them-Tionists, five Liberals and two Labor representatives. From this number a small war council is to be appointed.

The Labor parliamentary party to-day adopted a resolution expressing the hope that "in this supreme crisis an endeavor will be made by the new government to settle the Irish question and bring about the widest measure of co-operation of all forces and energies of the nation and the empire."

The Evening News, Mr. Lloyd George's organ, says that no names of new cabinet ministers are likely to be published until to-morrow, but that the new leader already has sufficient offers to make up an extremely powerful government which will include several business men of great and tried ability.

The Evening Standard says it understands that Rt. Hon. A. J. Balfour, who has been first lord of the admiralty, will join the new government, probably as colonial secretary; also that there is a strong probability that Rt. Hon. Walter Runciman, president of the board of trade, will be a member of the ministry, while Rt. Hon. Bonar Law probably will be made first lord of the admiralty.

Winnipeg Bank Clearings.

Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—The bank clearings here for the week ended to-day were \$66,008,603. For the corresponding week last year the clearings were \$58,209,521 and \$80,172,837 in 1914.

AT CHICAGO WHEAT
SHOWED NO STRENGTH

Chicago, Dec. 7.—The wheat market was weak to-day and at no time showed any strength. May wheat opened with a range of 183-184. It sold down to 183 and held around that level until the close, when heavy selling took place, causing it to close at its low point, 178-179. Corn and oats also declined. December corn selling off about two points. At Liverpool spot wheat was unchanged to 1d. higher, corn 2d. to 3d. higher, and wheat on passage unchanged to 6d. to 8d. higher and corn 3d. to 4d. higher. A cable from the Argentine says there have been wonderful beneficial rains in the big corn belt.

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Reports from Germany of from 50,000 to 100,000 Roumanian prisoners must include the civil population of the occupied districts.

"The material gain of the Germans around Bucharest is not as great as they expected, as the Roumanians succeeded in inflicting great damage on the oilfields, while much corn was removed."

"Some reasons for the Roumanian difficulties may be summarized as follows: Faulty organization of equipment and railroads and lack of heavy guns."

Referring to news nearer home, Maj. Gen. Maurice said:

"It is interesting to note that the Germans, after raiding London by air, always assert that they bombarded the fortress of London. Therefore it is significant that the orders we captured from occupants of an airship which dropped bombs here were merely to bomb London without reference to localities."

Germany will not heed Wilson, says Cologne Gazette.

London, Dec. 7.—A wireless dispatch received here from Berne says:

"The Cologne Gazette declares that in her submarine warfare Germany will be guided by her own interests and will not allow herself to be influenced by American threats or suggestions."

German statement about east front.

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CAMPAIGN PROCEEDS VERY SATISFACTORY

Organization Work Still Progressing; Many Liberal Cheques In

Each day finds the organization work of the Victoria Patriotic Aid Campaign committee more elaborated. To-day the members of the Manufacturers' Canvassing committee is announced, being made up of Messrs. Collier, Nickerson, W. P. Sweeney and F. Westley-Newton. Simultaneously comes the announcement of the committees which are to take charge of the canvass of the employees of the various business concerns in the city and surrounding district. Four committees have been struck for this work: No. 1, Messrs. A. S. Barton and Castle; No. 2, Messrs. N. Buckingham and Munro; No. 3, Col. McElree and J. W. Taylor; No. 4, Messrs. G. S. McTavish and Fred McGregor.

It is the intention as the lists begin to come in from the various collectors in already mapped-out sections of the city to publish the subscribers' complete. In the meantime, official receipts, signed by the honorary secretary, E. B. Andros, are being sent out to the subscribers. Donors are warned to give their subscriptions only to those who carry the special collecting lists bearing the seal and signatures of the chairman and secretary of the society, or they may call in person at the headquarters, Union Bank building, and deposit their gift with the officers in charge there.

The following are among the larger subscriptions received during the past twenty-four hours:

Messrs. David Spencer	\$1,000
Andrew Wright	1,000
Leimon, Gommerson & Co.	500
F. Moore	500
Forrest Angus	500
R. L. Fraser, M. D.	250
Mrs. R. W. Pearce	200
A. W. McCurdy, M. P.	100
F. D. Little	100
R. G. Kennedy	250
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B. C. Canning Co. Ltd.	100
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An appeal in behalf of the Patriotic Aid funds was delivered last evening by W. J. Shortt, the press secretary, at the Metropolitan Methodist church, where a big audience was gathered to hear the performance of "Eljah."

The committee are still asking advertisers to give a part or all of their advertising space in the press for one day for the purpose of calling the attention of the public to the need of supporting the fund. Those who have already done this have the gratitude of the organizers.

Want Ruling of Court.—The case in which the executors of the estate of the late W. J. Roper, of Oak Bay, are suing the widow with the object of securing a ruling of the supreme court in regard to the disposition of the estate under the will was commenced this morning before Mr. Justice Clement. The executors are The Royal Trust Co., represented here by the acting manager, F. E. Winslow, and a nephew of the deceased, John Rober Hull. "H. A. Maclean, K. C.," appeared for the plaintiffs and J. A. Alkman for the defendant. A number of witnesses were examined this morning, and the case is being continued.

British Mail In.—Two consignments of mail, consisting of 17 bags of letters and 18 of papers, which left London on Nov. 22 and 25, arrived here to-day.

MINERS RETURNED TO WORK LAST NIGHT

South Wellington Men Back in the Mines at the Nanaimo Scale

The mass meeting of the employees of the Pacific Coast Coal-mines, Limited, which was held at South Wellington yesterday afternoon, unanimously decided to accept the terms of the settlement reached by their representatives, sent down here, with the management of the mine, J. H. Tonkin.

This was the word received by Hon. William Sloan, minister of mines, this morning, from the department's officials at South Wellington. It was what was expected in view of the fact that the management very generously acceded to the demand of the men to be placed on the same scale as the miners are working under at Nanaimo.

The mines reopened last night, the night shift going on at the usual time, and to-day the mines are working to full capacity with the regular complement of miners. The men are thoroughly satisfied with the settlement, and it is understood that the managing director will shortly go to South Wellington to formally ratify the agreement. The increased scale runs from December 1.

Private advices received in the city this morning from South Wellington.

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outside government circles, is to the effect that the men are greatly pleased with the assistance given by the government. This was entirely in the character of a friendly third party, leaning neither to one side nor to the other, but desirous for the good of both sides and of the province at large to secure an amicable settlement between the two parties without the necessity to refer the dispute to arbitration of any outside body. The action of the minister of mines in the case has made a great impression on the men, and the feeling about the mines is said to be one of confidence that fair play will be shown in all labor disputes hereafter, without partiality to anyone.

RETURNING OFFICERS FOR BY-ELECTIONS

E. J. Bawden Will Act in Victoria; Other Appointments Are Made

At the sitting of the provincial executive this afternoon the appointment of returning officers for the coming by-elections was made, and the announcement will appear in the B. C. Gazette this evening.

In Victoria E. J. Bawden will act in this capacity at the by-election to be held on December 16 and 21. Mr. Bawden acted very efficiently as chief Liberal scrutineer in the count of the electoral vote in Canada when it was held here six weeks ago.

The other returning officers named are: Nanaimo, Thomas Booth; Vancouver, James Stables; Dewdney, Hector Ferguson; Cranbrook, Charles R. Ward; Greenwood, John L. White; Prince Rupert, Fred G. Dawson.

The commissions of these officers will be forwarded to them at once so that they can have the usual proclamations posted the statutory number of days before election.

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Men's Soft Felt, values to \$3.00. Sale Price only	\$1.00
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Arrangements Completed for Meeting to Be Addressed by Lieut. Col. Guthrie.

Arrangements have been completed for the public meeting in the old Victoria theatre to-morrow night, when an address will be delivered by Lieut. Col. Guthrie, of the 28th Battalion.

Col. Guthrie is touring the Dominion in order to stimulate recruiting generally, and while he is commander of the Maclean Battalion he is not confining his effort to that unit alone. The meeting will commence at 8 o'clock, and will be presided over by Premier Brewster. A cordial invitation is extended to the public, and it is hoped there will be a large attendance. An enjoyable programme of music will be rendered during the evening, the following having consented to give vocal selections: Mrs. MacDonald, Fahey, Mrs. H. Pooley and Mrs. Hinton and J. G. Brown.

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GOVERNMENT READY TO AID DEVELOPMENT

Minister of Finance Speaks for Premier to Business Men of Vancouver

Taking a leaf from Victoria's book the merchants of Vancouver are getting together in order to avail themselves to the full of the opportunities for trade which will come with the revival of business and industry which appears to be imminent, as well as that which will surely follow the close of hostilities.

There were over five hundred leaders in the mercantile and industrial life of the province at the banquet which was held in the Hotel Vancouver on Tuesday evening, with the object of inaugurating a campaign for industrial development, and the first tangible result of it was the appointment of a committee of five to draft a policy and arrange for the formation of a permanent body to be known as the Import and Export Association of British Columbia. On this committee were appointed R. P. McLennan, B. T. Rogers, George Kidd, Robert Kelly and George Bushby.

Hon. Ralph Smith, minister of finance, was present to represent the provincial government, Premier Brewster having a prior engagement here and being unable to accept the invitation which was sent him. In his first speech before his constituents as a minister, Mr. Smith emphasized the desire of the government to assist, in every way, in the development of the business of the province. As minister of finance he explained what is being done to obtain a true statement of its financial position. Both references were heartily applauded by the large gathering.

"Hon. Mr. Brewster desires me to say for him at this time," said the minister of finance in opening, "that in any organization in this city having for its object the development of this province he would be delighted on any occasion to be present with you."

I think you will agree with me that the premier has given an indication of his anxiety to enter into close relationship and give very close attention to the organization of the people of this province by the fact that he has avoided the responsibility of a department, which gives him the opportunity of coming into closer contact with an organization of this description and makes it possible for him to supervise the whole government in every department.

"I think you will agree with me that that arrangement is a wise one in the interests of this province. Although I am a member of the government and of what is called the Liberal party, I wish to make this statement that I think, under the peculiar and serious and special circumstances in the province at the present time, that the time has come when anything like extreme political partisanship should be absolutely obliterated in the interests of commercial development, and for the purpose of a great international victory for Canada and her allies in this present conflict. (Applause.)

"The conception that a political opponent is always wrong and that political friends are always right is a dangerous thing. What we think is best in the interests of the nation, regardless of whom it emanates from, is the intellectual discrimination that is necessary for good government and good business. So that I come before you to-night as a member of the government, associated with a party, and I think I express the disposition of the premier of this province when I say to you that he is anxious to the greatest possible extent to operate the business of this province on non-partisan and on business lines in the interests of the country." (Applause.)

The minister dealt with the development of the natural resources of the province and what the government could do to facilitate that. On the part of the people he advised co-operation, and he announced that the government, considering that the first essential towards the success of all business was the restoration of the credit of the province, had decided upon a thorough audit of the provincial finances by a body of auditors and accountants of international repute. In this connection, he said:

"The first thing to know as business men is how do we stand? If you do not know how you stand you are not likely to operate a successful business. You want to know what you owe and what your expenses are, what your normal revenues will be and what your liabilities amount to, you want to know what your assets amount to, you want to know what your natural resources are valued at, and you want to know all about the actual position of British Columbia. So I announce to you that the first business of the government is to get a non-partisan combination of men, capable men, to show us exactly what is the condition of the business of this country." (Cheers.)

The government's duty was to carry on the business of the province, he said, and on the one hand it had to make investors realize that the capital investments of the country were properly treated, and on the other to see that the operation of organized capital was not merely for the sake of large profits, but for the general good of the community. In this they required the co-operation of the businessmen, who could do a great deal by way of suggestion and by demanding their rights from the government.

"We are already," Mr. Smith concluded, "considering methods to utilize to the greatest possible extent the natural resources of this province. Already there have been negotiations that will preserve to this province certain manufacturing facilities that will make for the enrichment of the province. We are doing certain things in the United States by the exploitation of certain resources that will result in the protection of certain products which will go to enrich British Columbia as it ought to be."

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Bring your sizes Friday and Saturday and have your curtains made free of charge.

Five More Arrested—Another development was given to the Chinese cases in the police court, when five men, Chang Jun, Ah Far, Chew Sai Yew, Lee Chin and Chow Sang, were brought up this morning charged with unlawful assembly. They were remanded till Tuesday, J. S. Brandon being out of town. All of the accused are alleged to have participated in the disturbance at the Chinese school on October 4.

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